

**Medical Counselling Committee: Ensuring
transparency & fairness in Counselling**



NEET-MDS COUNSELLING 2026

INFORMATION BULLETIN & COUNSELLING SCHEME

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

S. No.	Abbreviations	Definitions
1	ABVIMS & RML	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical Sciences & Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital
2	AIQ	All India Quota
3	AMU	Aligarh Muslim University
4	BHU	Banaras Hindu University
5	BSAMC	Baba Saheb Ambedkar Medical College
6	C.W.	Children/Widows of Armed Forces
7	D.M	Doctorate of Medicine
8	DGHS	Directorate General of Health Services
9	DU	Delhi University
10	ESIC (IP)	Employees' State Insurance Corporation (Insured Person's Quota)
11	EWS	Economically Weaker Section
12	I.P.	Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
13	JML	Jamia Millia Islamia
14	LHMC	Lady Hardinge Medical College
15	MAMC	Maulana Azad Medical College

16	MCC	Medical Counselling Committee
17	MoHFW	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
18	NDC	National Dental Commission
19	NDMC	North Delhi Municipal Corporation & Hindu Rao Hospital
20	NMC	National Medical Commission
21	NTA	National Testing Agency
22	Ors.	Others
23	UCMS	University College of Medical Sciences
24	UG	Under Graduate
25	V/s	Versus
26	VMMC & SJH	Vardhaman Mahavir Medical College & Safdarjung Hospital
27	W.P.	Writ Petition

CHAPTER 1- INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in I.A. No. 16 of 2012 in Civil Appeal No. (s). 1944 of 1993 in the matter of 'Anand S. Biji V/s State of Kerala & Ors.', the Directorate General of Health Services, Government of India, New Delhi has been entrusted with the responsibility to conduct Online Counselling for allotment of Post Graduate (MD/MS/Diploma and MDS) seats to the eligible and qualified candidates in participating Government Medical/Dental Colleges of the country under 50% All India Quota every year. The allotment of seat to the candidates is made based on the NEET-PG conducted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi.
- 1.2 The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide Order dated 09/05/2017 rendered in Writ Petition (Civil) No.267 of 2017 in the matter of 'Dar-Us Slam Educational Trust and Others Vs. Medical Council of India and Others' the Directorate General of Health Services in Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is also conducting Online counselling for allotment of 100% Post Graduate (MD/MS/Diploma and MDS) with All India character in participating Deemed Universities across the country. The allotment of seats is being made to eligible and qualified candidates as per their merit and ranking based on the NEET Examinations conducted by National Board of Examinations (NBE) for P.G. NEET from the academic year 2017-18 onwards.
- 1.3 Vide Order dated 22.08.2017 the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.689 of 2017 in the matter of Consortium of Deemed Universities in Karnataka & Anr. v/s Union of India & Ors. had issued directions stating that, 15% seats have to be allotted to the NRI Candidates in respect of PG seats (Medical/Dental) in Deemed Universities.
- 1.4 **In supersession to previous AIQ scheme, it has been decided by the competent authority (MoHFW) that upgradation will be upto 3rd round which was earlier known as mop up round.**
- 1.5 **The candidate is now allowed to upgrade seat from second round to 3rd (mop up) round.** Candidates are advised to take an informed decision of continuing in Third round of AIQ/Deemed/Central Universities. If a candidate joins in 3rd round, they shall not be permitted to resign. They **will not be** allowed to participate in any further rounds of Counseling after joining in Third Round of AIQ.

1.6 As per the directions issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLA(C)No.10487 of 2021, the AIQ scheme has been modified and 04 rounds of AIQ counselling will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW. Hence, Round-3 and fourth round i.e. stray vacancy round will be conducted in AIQ from 2021-22 onwards.

1.7 Vide Order dated 22/07/2022 in Contempt Petition No.289 of 2022 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India it has been approved that MCC of DGHS will develop a software for all participating states and counselling authorities. Furthermore, it has been directed by Hon'ble Court that:

“8 The development of the above software should ensure that a uniform pattern Is followed by all the States across India commencing from the academic year 2022-2025. For the current academic year, since the students have already joined and the courses have commenced, we would, in the interest of justice, put an end to the contempt proceedings. However, we take on record the assurance which has been set out by the DGHS and direct that all the States and counselling authorities in the NEET-UG/PG shall scrupulously comply with the above directions from the academic year 2022-2025.”

1.8 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated **03.02.2024** passed in **W.P (Civil) 891 of 2021 in the matter of ‘Anushka Rengunthwar &Ors. Vs Union of India &Ors.’**,

“57. Hence, the notification being sustainable prospectively, we hereby declare that the impugned portion of the notification which provides for supersession of the notifications dated 11.04.2005, 05.01.2007 and 05.01.2009 and the clause 4(ii), its proviso and Explanation (1) thereto shall operate prospectively in respect of OCI cardholders who have secured the same subsequent to 04.03.2021.

58. We further hold that the petitioners in all these cases and all other similarly placed OCI cardholders will be entitled to the rights and privileges which had been conferred on them earlier to the notification dated 04.03.2021 and could be availed by them notwithstanding the exclusion carved out in the notification dated 04.03.2021. The participation of the petitioners and similarly placed OCI cardholders in the selection process and the subsequent action based on 74 the interim orders passed herein or elsewhere shall stand regularized.”

Keeping in view of the directions passed hereinabove, the OCI cardholders will now be eligible to the rights which were provided to them earlier to the impugned notification dated 04.03.2021. They will be treated at par with Indian citizens and will be eligible for UR (General) category seats as well as NRI seats for the purpose of NEET (UG)-2026 and NEET (PG/MDS)-2026 for counselling conducted by MCC.

1.9 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide **order dated 12.12.2022** passed in ***"I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India & Ors."***

"2. Having heard Ms Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General, we direct that for 100% deemed universities:

(i) There shall be four rounds of common counselling for the All-India Quota seats conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee; and

(ii) The Medical Counseling Committee is permitted to conduct an online counselling for the stray vacancy round.

3.The above directions shall take effect from the ensuing academic year 2022-23." In light of the above directions, as passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of DGHS, MoHFW, shall conduct the counselling for the Stray Vacancy Round of 100% seats of Deemed Universities."

1.10 As per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in "W.P (C) No.443 of 1992 Sharwan Kumar Vs. Dir. General of Health Services & Anr." The following order has been issued:

"If in implementation of the scheme any difficulties are felt by the Director General of Health Services or by any other person including the authorities in the States or by the Universities, they can approach this Court for necessary directions."

1.11 **No Offline admissions and no offline resignations**-all admissions and resignation (if provided) will be made through online mode. Any admission or resignation taken in offline mode will not be accepted. Colleges taking offline admission or resignation may face legal or any other consequences at their own level. The seat will be considered as vacant for the next round of counselling where offline admission is taken. The vacated seat due to offline resignation will not be taken in the next round of counselling.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- 2.1 All the participating Candidates are here by informed that all important communications issued by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) are posted on the official website of MCC i.e. www.mcc.nic.in. The authenticity of communication may be confirmed from the official website of MCC/Intra-MCC before relying upon any message circulating in social media.
- 2.2 All questions in the scheme of counselling are mandatory in nature and not optional. Candidates are advised to go through these important questions related to the scheme of counselling (refer Bulletin) before registering on MCC website, in order to understand the scheme of counseling.
- 2.3 Candidates are deemed to have read, agreed and accepted the Scheme of Counselling and the terms and conditions of the counselling scheme for NEET-MDS Counselling, 2026 on completing the online submission of application/registration form.
- 2.4 Registration for NEET–MDS Counselling conducted by MCC can only be submitted online through Medical Counselling Committee website www.mcc.nic.in. Registration submitted through any other mode shall be summarily rejected.
- 2.5 Candidates are further advised to fill the application form on their own/self on the MCC website and not through any agent or third party.
- 2.6 A candidate can submit NEET-MDS Counselling application/registration form only once. Any candidate found to have submitted more than one application/registration form for NEET-MDS Counselling shall be debarred from NEET-MDS Counselling allotment process, his/her candidature shall be cancelled and further action as deemed appropriate by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW shall be taken.
- 2.7 The Security Deposit will be forfeited if a candidate who has been allotted a seat in the Second Round or subsequent rounds and does not join the respective institution or surrender the seat due to any unforeseen reason. Also, the Security Deposit will be forfeited if the admission gets cancelled due to any reason. E.g. in case the candidate gives wrong information at the time of registration on the basis of which a seat may be allotted and later cancelled by the Admission Authorities at the time of reporting or fails to produce the required documents at the time of admission (within

stipulated time).

2.8 Candidate may kindly note that registering for NEET-MDS Counselling does not confer any automatic rights to secure a Post Graduate seat. The selection and admission to Post Graduate seats in any medical Institution recognized for running Post Graduate courses as per Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 is subject to fulfilling the merit, admission criteria, eligibility, and such criteria as may be prescribed by the respective universities, medical institutions, Medical Council of India, State/Central Government.

2.9 Candidate should ensure that all the information filled during the online submission of application/registration form is correct and factual. Information provided by the candidates in the online application/registration form shall be treated as correct and self-certified and MCC shall not entertain, under any circumstances, any request for change in the information provided by the candidates.

MCC does not change/edit/modify/alter any information entered by the candidates at the time of online submission of application/registration for Counselling under any circumstances.
(refer to NBE for any query)

2.10 The information regarding Stipend /fee structure/ course duration / bond amount /rendering of service in rural/tribal area/other conditions etc. has been provided by Medical/Dental Colleges on MCC website. MCC/DGHS takes no responsibility regarding the above information including Fees/ Bond/Mode of Payment or any typographical error/data etc. Candidates are advised to visit College website or contact the College Authorities directly for any query regarding above information before filling choices. Choices once locked cannot be modified and any request to MCC/DGHS regarding change/alteration of choices **will not be** entertained.

2.11 Candidates are advised to confirm their eligibility/domicile status before registering on MCC website for Institutional Quota seats of Central Universities/ Institutes/Deemed University before opting for their seats.

2.12 Candidates are advised to confirm the fee structure/ any other additional fee from the colleges especially Deemed Universities before filling up choices for the same. Some All-India Quota colleges might have high fee structure, therefore confirmation about the fee should be made before hand, MCC of DGHS takes **No** responsibility of the fee structure of the colleges and will not entertain any requestor complaint regarding Fee Structure. The above information may be confirmed by the candidate before filling the choices.

- 2.13 **Candidates are advised to be in touch with the MCC website (www.mcc.nic.in) for Schedule / latest updates / Results / Notices / News & Events pertaining to counselling as MCC /DGHS will not be individually contacting the candidates for the same.**
- 2.14 **No** communication will be directly sent to the Candidate(s). They are advised to be in touch with the website on regular basis for any updates.
- 2.15 It has come to the knowledge of the Authorities that there have been instances wherein some persons/agent shave claimed to provide a seat in any of the participating colleges in the Counselling process. The Candidates are advised not to fall prey to the said claims as there is no direct entry/nomination in any of the participating colleges in the NEET Counselling. MCC of DGHS will not be responsible for any such type of fraud/treachery/ trickery.
- 2.16 Candidates are advised to use the Mobile number/email id used by them during registration on NBE website for MCC counselling registration process. The said Email ID and Mobile number shall only be used/ pre-populated during the Counselling registration process. OTPs etc. will only be sent to the registered mobile number and email ids.
- 2.17 Refund process will commence only after the completion of all the rounds of Counselling. MCC will not entertain any query either through email or phone call with regard to refund before the completion of all the rounds of counseling.
- 2.18 Candidates are informed that they will be shown only the Clear-cut Vacancies in Round-1. Also, the vacancy position of the seats will be shown in two categories during Round2, which are as follows:
- A) **Clear-cut vacancies**-The seats which have not been allotted in Round-1.
 - B) **Virtual Vacancies**- Any Candidate who has been allotted a seat in Round-1 and has opted for up-gradation in Round-2, the allotted seats of Round1 will be shown as virtual vacancy in Round-2 and Candidates can fill the said seat during the choice filling in Round-2. However, such seats will be allotted in Round-2 if the allottee of Round-1 vacates /upgrades in Round2. The same will be applicable for Round-3 as well.
- 2.19 Each round of counselling is a separate round and the rules of each round are different. Once any round commences, the rules of that round will apply to all the candidates even if they were allotted/ admitted in the previous round(s) of counselling. The rules of round 1 will only apply to candidates

participating in round 1. Once round 2 commences the rules of Round 2 shall apply and the rules of round 1 will not be applicable. Similarly, the rules of third round will apply only in third round and the rules of Stray Vacancy round will apply only on stray vacancy round.

2.20 Only Qualified/ eligible candidates are required to register on the MCC website i.e., www.mcc.nic.in to participate in the counselling process for allotment of seat. MCC **does not** allot any seat either on nomination basis/ manually or on offline mode.

2.21 **No** Offline admissions and **no** offline resignations- all admissions and resignation (if provided) will be made through online mode. Any admission or resignation taken in offline mode **will not be** accepted. Colleges taking offline admission or resignation may face the legal action or any other consequences at their own level. The seat will be considered as vacant for the next round of counselling where offline admission is taken. The vacated seat due to offline resignation will not be taken in the next round of counselling.

2.22 Candidates should make sure that while taking admission/resignation in the allotted college their admission/ resignation is generated through online mode i.e. through intra-mcc portal by the college authorities. Any other letter of admission/resignation **will not be** accepted.

2.23 Candidates who have international number must provide an alternative Indian number at the time of registration for the counselling process.

2.24 **Eligibility Certificate**- the Candidates must obtain their Eligibility Certificate from any one of the designated Primary Medical Assessment Board in an online mode generated by the board as per the NMC norms before the choice filling commences. Only candidates who have made their Eligibility Certificate through online mode from the designated centers will be eligible to fill in the PwD choices.

2.25 The MCC, DGHS reserves its absolute right to alter, amend, modify or apply any or some of the instructions/ guidelines contained in this information bulletin.

2.26 In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/ terms/ rules/criteria regarding the determination of eligibility/conduct of counselling/ registration of candidates/ any information contained herein, the interpretation of the MCC, DGHS shall be final and binding in nature.

2.27 Court cases w.r.t. counselling must be in Delhi jurisdictions only.

Chapter 2: “Changes” Allotment, Reporting, Upgradation & Withdrawal (Resignation) of Allotted Seat

As per the counselling scheme followed till last year 2025, all the steps of counselling like reporting, upgradation and resignation required all the candidates to physically report at the allotted institute and complete the admission/ upgradation/ resignation formalities on the portal provided to institutes by MCC. Candidates willing to upgrade from Round 1 to Round 2 or Round 2 to Round 3 had to report at the allotted institute/college with original documents and complete the admission formalities. The candidate's willingness for upgradation from one round to another was submitted by the allotted institute on the portal.

However, this year following changes have been made in the counselling scheme in larger interest of candidates and to make counselling process convenient and hassle free.

Depending on Willingness for Upgradation, candidates will be divided in two categories:

- **Freeze Candidates – No Upgradation.** (Candidates who are satisfied with their allotted seats and do not want to upgrade in next round (i.e. Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **Candidates who want to join the allotted seat, will have to visit the allotted institute physically for joining.**
- **Float Candidates – Want to Upgrade**
Candidates who have been allotted seat but want to upgrade in next round (i.e. Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **They will give willingness for upgradation and have to upload required documents for online document verification by allotted Institute. (No need to visit the allotted institute physically)**

The stepwise process of counselling will be as follows: 1 Registration & Fee Payment

Candidates will complete online registration and pay requisite counselling fee online through secure payment gateway. Only candidates who have paid full fee will become eligible for further process.

2. Choice Filling

Candidates will select course and institute preferences. They will save and lock choices within

schedule.

3. Seat Allotment

Based on merit and preferences, seat will be allotted to candidates by MCC.

> If Seat NOT Allotted:

If no seat is allotted, candidate will become eligible to participate in next round (as per criteria).

> If Seat Allotted:

- **Freeze Candidates – No Upgradation** Candidates who are satisfied with their allotted seats and do not want to upgrade in next round (i.e Round 1 to Round-2 or Round-2 to Round-3) will fall under this category. **Candidates who want to join the allotted seat, will have to visit the allotted institute physically for joining.**
- **Float Candidates – Wants to Upgrade (online joining procedure).** Candidates will Submit **Willingness** for upgradation through online mode on MCC portal.

4. Submission / Uploading of Mandatory Documents (one-time upload for all rounds):

It is mandatory for both category of candidates i.e Freeze & Float to upload the clear scanned copies of documents on the portal provided by MCC in stipulated time of reporting as per schedule. It is preferred that candidates should upload necessary documents on MCC portal within 2-3 days after declaration of final allotment results by medical counselling committee.

➤ Freeze - Proceeds for Physical joining /reporting and Document Verification at the Allotted Institute:

- i) Submission of Physical documents at the institute
- ii) Physical Document verification at the institute
- iii) Admission Fee deposit at the institute
- iv) Institute Decision regarding finalization of admission TWO conditions as follows if:

 **Documents Valid-** Admission Confirmed and Seat Finalized

 **Discrepancy Found in documents-** Admission Cancelled

➤ Float – Candidates will NOT Proceed for Physical Document Verification at the Allotted Institute.

- i) **Verification of uploaded documents by the Allotted Institute in online mode only by the allotted institute nodal officer.**
- ii) **Detection of Anomalies by institute nodal officer like:**
 - Blurred copies
 - Incorrect certificates
 - Mismatch in claims in category etc.
 - Missing documents
- iii) **Query Resolution Mechanism in case of Detection of Anomalies: Document Verification Committee (DVC) of Allotted Institute may raise query regarding anomalies in documents to the candidate.**
- iv) **Candidate must re-upload corrected documents within stipulated time as early as possible in reporting schedule time to avoid cancellation of seat.**
- v) **Re-verification of correct uploaded documents conducted by institute nodal officer/DVC.**
- vi) **Document Verification Committee (DVC) Outcome:**
 - A.  **Provisional Seat Confirmation if documents are found in order and Candidate becomes eligible for next round.**
 - B.  **Seat is Cancelled due to discrepancy between claims and documents. As documents not in order.**

Eligible for next round (as per criteria).
- vii) **Candidate will exercise choices for next round.**

5. After Round-3 provisional allotment result declaration → Mandatory reporting for all allotted candidates of Round 3 and Float Candidates of Round 1 / Round 2 who did not get upgradation.

Seat Resignation (Withdrawal) / Surrender Process

Candidates with provisional admission may submit seat surrender request with supporting documents online to the Nodal Officer of allotted institute.

The process of resignation/ seat surrender based on willingness of candidate will be as follows for Freeze/ Float Candidates:

➤ **FREEZE CANDIDATE- will have to visit physically to the allotted institute for resignation**

- a) Candidate will physically report at the allotted institute and submit Resignation within stipulated time period prescribed by MCC as per schedule.
- b) Candidate can resign/exit the seat and become eligible for next round as per the resignation rules for round 1 and round 2. Candidates **cannot** resign/ exit Round 3 allotted seats. Refund will be processed as per counselling Scheme once all the rounds are completed.
- c) Once a seat is surrendered/resigned, candidate will have **NO** claim on that particular seat.

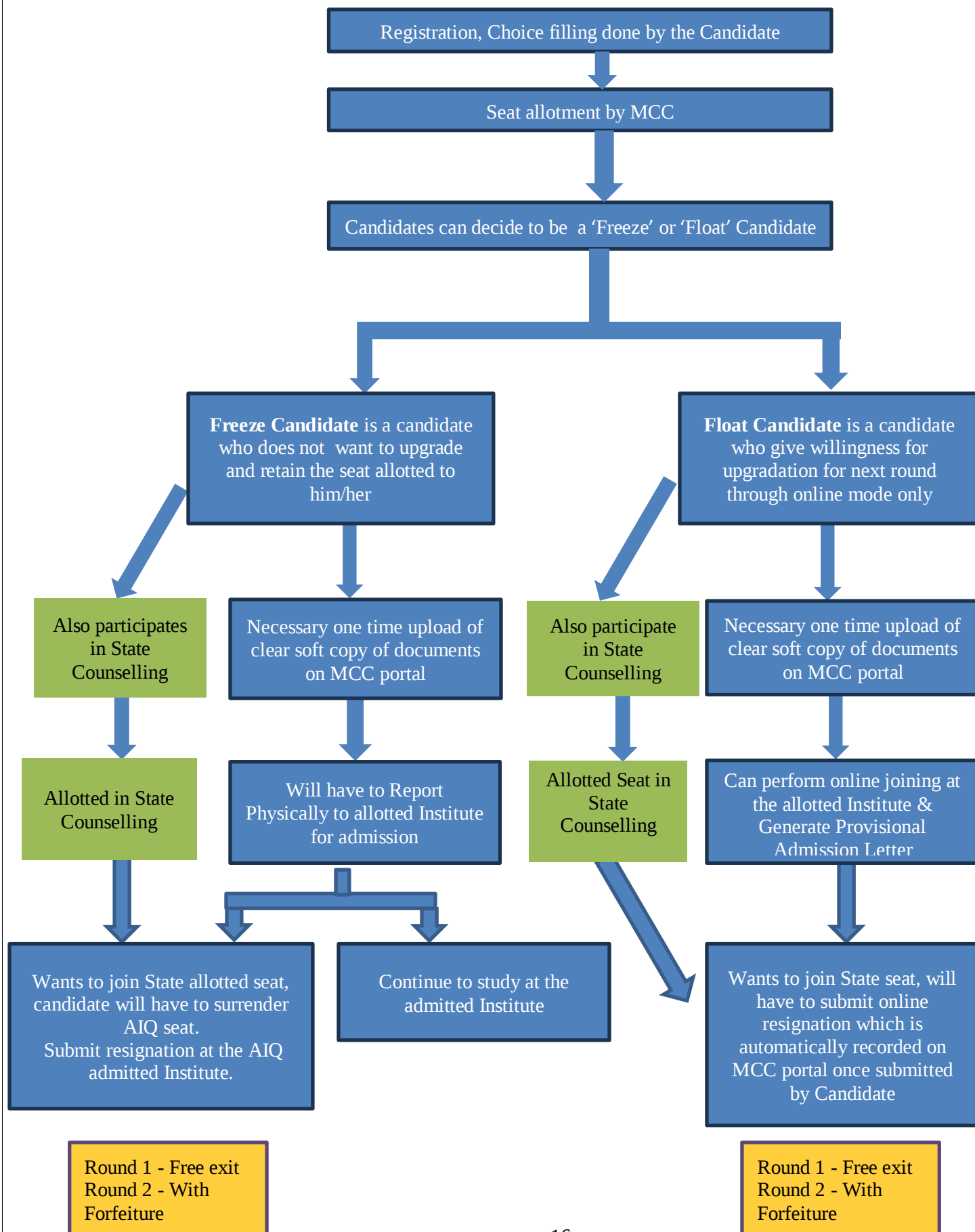
➤ **FLOAT CANDIDATE**

Candidates with provisional admission may submit an **online seat surrender** request with **supporting documents**.

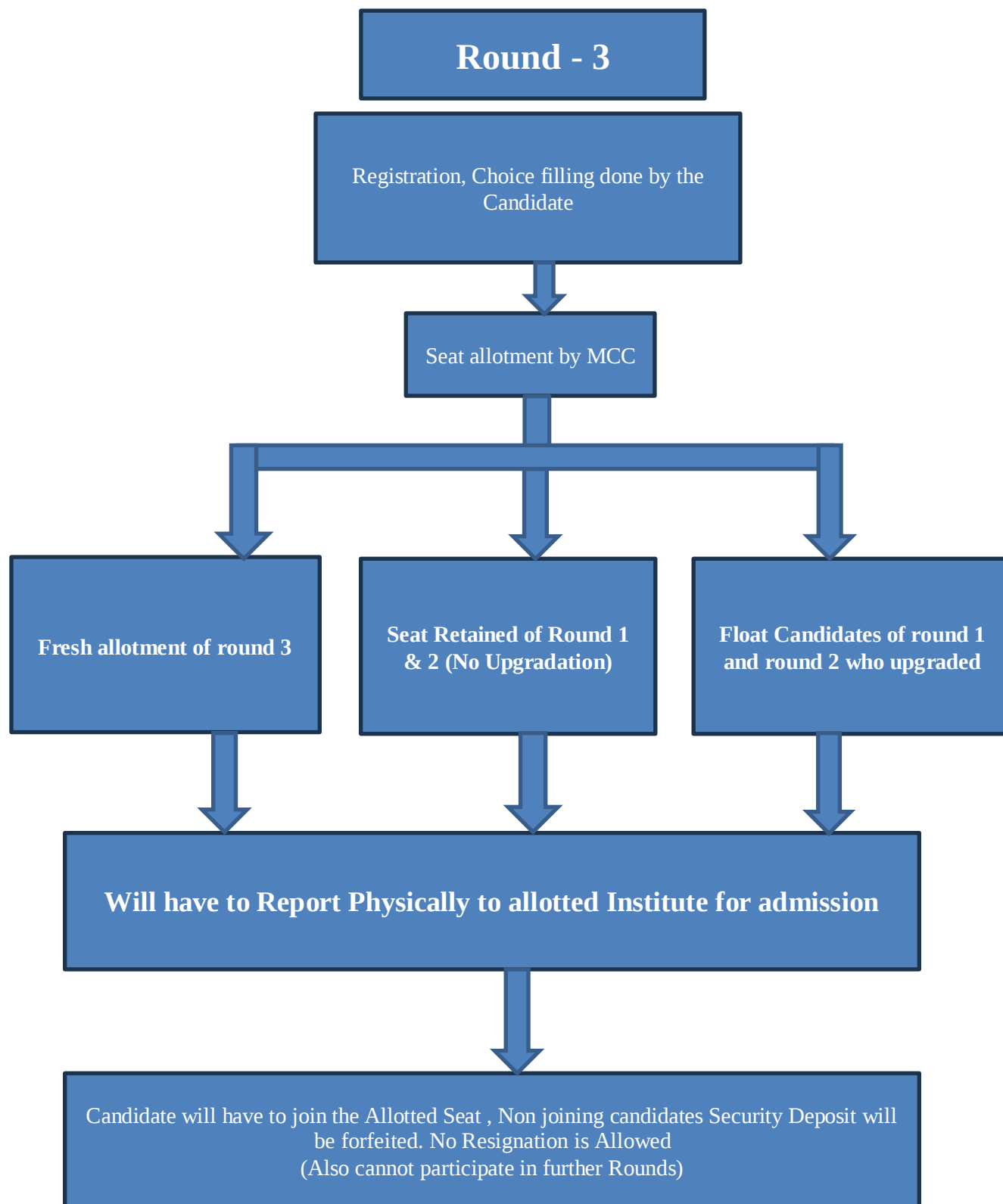
1. Candidate goes to 'Candidate Login' on the MCC portal
2. Select "Resignation/ Surrender"
3. Candidate will submit Resignation online.
4. Seat resigned/ surrendered provided resignation is tendered within stipulated time period prescribed by MCC.
 - a) Candidate can resign/exit the seat and become eligible for next round as per the resignation rules for round 1 and round 2. Candidates **cannot** resign/ exit Round 3 allotted seats. Refund will be processed as per counselling Scheme once all the rounds are completed.
5. Once a seat is surrendered, candidate will have no claim on that particular seat.

COUNSELLING SCHEME FOR AIQ (FLOW CHART)

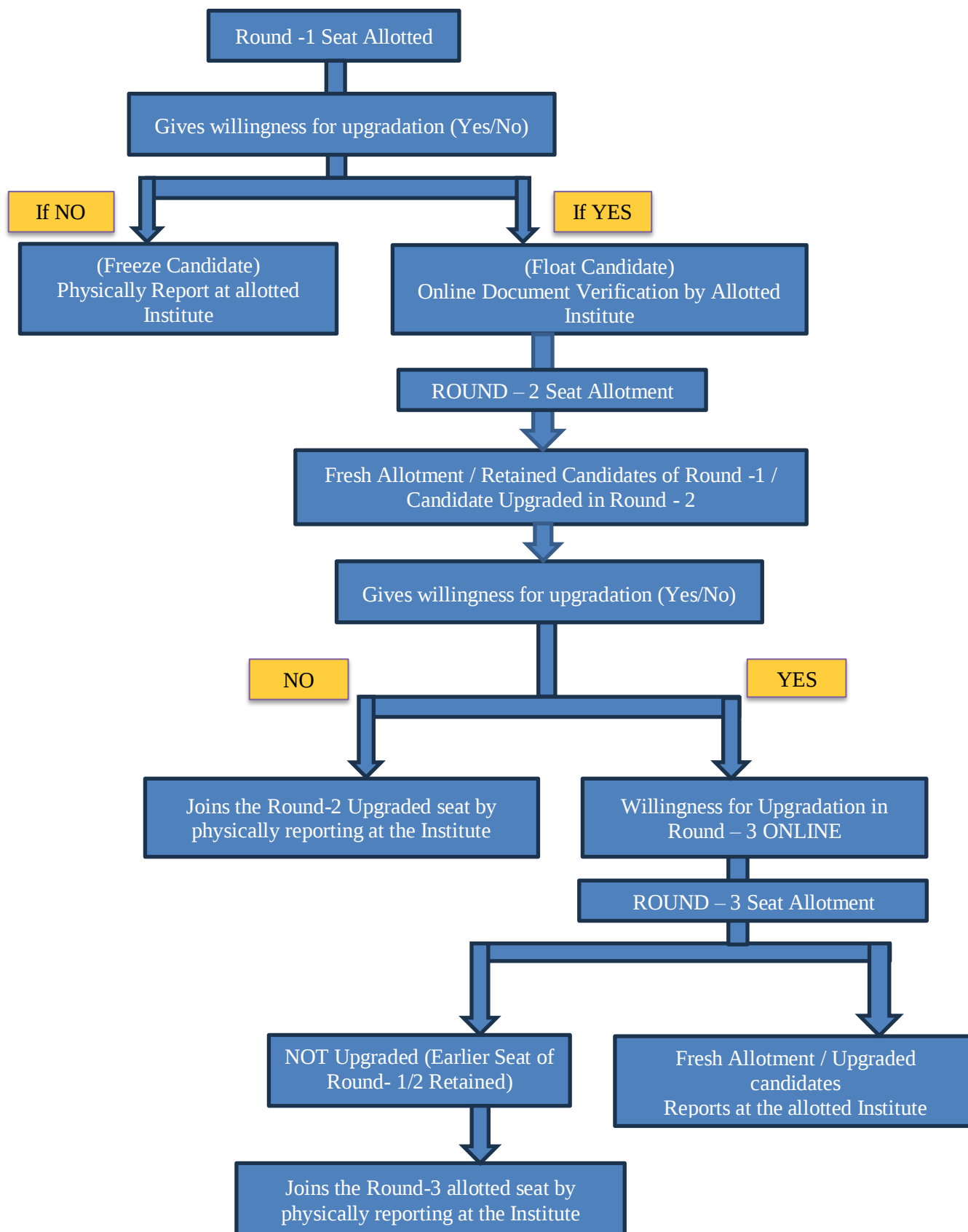
Round 1 and 2



Flow Chart for Process of Counselling ... continued from the previous page



Flowchart for Retained/ Upgraded Candidates



CHAPTER 3: NRI

In 2017, Hon'ble Supreme court in Dar-Us Salam case directed DGHS, MoHFW, Govt of India to conduct 100 % seats Counselling for All Deemed Universities under UGC as per their existing reservation policy including NRI, Muslim minority and Jain Minority.

MCC is successfully conducting the counselling for Deemed Universities till date for 100% seats of Deemed Universities, out of which 15% seats are allocated to NRI candidates as per directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.689 of 2017 in the matter of Consortium of Deemed Universities in Karnataka & Anr. v/s Union of India & Ors.

Further, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in **W.P No. 13393 of 2007 and others (2008) (Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P)** has set forth certain eligibility criteria for seats reserved under NRI quota.

The principles laid down in Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P. and others (2008) are as follows:

- 1) *"If the mother or father of student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then, either of the situations so held will be considered to be proper.*
- 2) *If the first-degree relation of the student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then in such circumstances also, qua this year, should be considered eligible. It is natural that such definition would include the real brother and sister over and above the mother-father of the first-degree relation.*
- 3) *As per the definition revised by the Hon'ble Apex Court, interpretation of clause 3 thereof as not made limited but if made in a broad perspective, then, it is clear that the person who wanted to consider such student as ward (Palya), then, he be considered to be proper subject to compliance of the following conditions:*
 - a) *He should be the nearest relation.*
 - b) *In the definition of the nearest relation, committee has considered following relative having blood relations.*
 - *Real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and real aunt.*
 - *Real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.*
 - *Father and mother of father i.e. grandfather and grandmother.*
 - *Father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.*

- *First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.*
 - *Such person should be NRI.*
- c) Such persons should ordinarily be residing abroad.*
- d) Such person should have looked after such student as the guardian of the student and evidence to that effect must have been produced before the committee by such person.*
- e) There should be affidavit with aforesaid fact.”*

MCC will seek evidential proof; a legal document from the candidates/guardian as in point 3 (d) & (e) of the order, during counselling, demonstrating that the sponsor is actually Bonafide legal guardian of the candidate. Hence, the candidates applying for NRI Quota seats have to comply with the above-mentioned eligibility criteria for change of their category from Indian to NRI

The updated list of mandatory documents for different categories of NRI candidates/ Foreign National

Category I: NRI Candidate/ Parents/ Real Brother/ Real Sister

- 1. Date of Birth Certificate**
- 2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript**
- 3. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript**
- 4. NEET- MDS Score Card issued by NBE**
- 5. Valid Passport of candidate**
- 6. NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate)**
- 7. Affidavit (Notarized) by the NRI parent/ Real Brother/ Real Sister stating that they will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate (son/daughter) during the period of study supported by NRE Bank Account Passbook.**
- 8. Relationship to be verified by competent revenue authority officer (Tehsildar/ Government Officer). In cases of first degree relative as per point 1 and 2 laid in the principles laid in Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P W.P No. 13393 of 2007.**

Category II: Indian to NRI (Candidates who filled their category as Indian in NEET MDS form and now want to get converted to NRI category for counselling.

1. Date of Birth Certificate
2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript
3. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript
4. NEET- MDS Score Card issued by NBE
5. Valid Passport of candidate
6. Valid Passport of legal guardian
7. NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate)
8. In case of sponsorship by a legal guardian:

Evidence of Bonafide Guardianship stating relationship between the NRI legal guardian and the candidate. The legal guardian (sponsor) must have acted as the guardian of the candidate and must submit valid legal documentary proof establishing that he/she is the legally recognized guardian of the candidate in accordance with the provisions of the Guardian and Wards Act 1890.

9. An affidavit (notarized) by the legal guardian that he/she will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate during the period of study duly supported by NRE (Non-Resident External) Bank Account Pass Book.

(Refer to Notice in this regard dated 27.05.2026 uploaded on MCC website: Public Notice for eligibility of NRI candidature for academic year 2026-27 on UG portal)

Link: <https://mcc.nic.in/ug-medical-counselling/> . Kindly see” current events”

Category III: OCI CANDIDATES

- Date of Birth Certificate
- 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript
- 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript
- NEET- MDS Score Card issued by NBE
- Valid Passport of candidate

- **Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Card/ PIO Card.**

Category IV: FOREIGN NATIONAL

- 1. Date of Birth Certificate**
- 2. 10th mark sheets and passing certificate/Equivalence Certificate for Class X from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript**
- 3. 12th mark sheets and passing certificates/ Equivalence Certificate for Class XII from Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ Certified Transcript**
- 4. NEET- MDS Score Card issued by NBE**
- 5. Valid Passport of candidate**
- 6. Visa/ Residence Permit/ Work Permit**

PROCESS FOR THE NRI DOCUMENT SUBMISSION, VERIFICATION AND CONVERSION OF CATEGORY IS AS FOLLOWS:

STEP:1 Selection of the NRI Quota: Candidate will select NRI Quota at the time of Registration for counselling. Candidate who selected NRI option during NEET exam conducted by NBE will also have to select the NRI Category at the time registration on MCC portal.

STEP:2 Selection of subcategory: Candidate will select **subcategory (I to IV), as mentioned in previous paragraphs.**

STEP:3 Uploading of Supporting documents as per updated list mentioned above: Candidate who wants to get category converted from Indian to NRI will upload supporting documents as mentioned in the above list at the time of Registration on MCC portal.

STEP:4 Online Document Verification: The NRI Document Verification Committee (DVC) of MCC will scrutinize the uploaded documents online. (It is mentioned that the online verification will convert the category to NRI provisionally, however the candidates are expected to produce physical copy in original of all the documents at the time of admission at the allotted institute.)

STEP:5 Discrepancy Found: If discrepancy is found in online verification, the scrutiny committee raises document discrepancy query.

STEP:6 Notification to Candidate: Candidate will be notified through SMS and Email regarding the discrepancy/ deficiency found in the documents.

STEP:7 Correction Window: A correction window will be provided to candidates to resolve the query with in stipulated time as per schedule. During this period, candidates will be allowed to edit/ modify their uploaded documents w.r.t discrepancy found by the scrutiny committee and submit deficient

documents online, if any within stipulated time as per schedule.

STEP:8 Category Converted Online: If all documents are found to be in order, category of candidate will be converted from Indian to NRI.

STEP:9 Eligible for NRI Choices: Once category of candidate is converted from Indian to NRI, candidate will become eligible to access NRI category seats list and select choices of NRI quota seats.

STEP:10 A candidate can also participate in round 2 if not able to produce the document in round 1 as mentioned in step 7 in stipulated time as per schedule.

CHAPTER 4: Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 10 and 24 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, read with Section 57 thereof, and in furtherance of the Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, the National Medical Commission has issued the PwD Guidelines, namely “**Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026**”. (Enclosed as ANNEXURE 2)

In view of the PwD Guidelines forwarded by NMC vide **Letter No. U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB dated 21.07.2026**, PwBD candidates participating in MDS Counselling 2026 are advised to note the following points w.r.t obtaining Eligibility Certificate for the purpose of upcoming NEET MDS Counselling, from designated Medical Assessment Boards of MCC:

1. Candidates who wish to claim seat under PwBD category are required to visit one of the Primary Medical Assessment Boards of MCC (List of Centers enclosed as **Annexure-1**) and submit following documents at the Centre to obtain the Eligibility Certificate
 - i. NEET MDS 2026 score card demonstrating eligibility for the MDS course. Permanent UDID card issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) (DEPwD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI.
 - ii. Self-certified affidavit declaring his or her functional abilities in the format specified in **Schedule-I** which shall be verified by Medical Assessment Board during the course of assessment.
 - iii. Self-Certification Affidavit (**Appendix-A**) and Affidavit specific to the candidate's disability category, in the prescribed format of NMC as provided in **Appendix-B to F**.
2. The certificate will be generated by the center as per details of disability mentioned on the UDID card and affidavit submitted by the PwBD candidate and subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria.
3. Only those candidates who have obtained Eligibility Certificate from a designated center of MCC will be shown choices of PwD seats.
4. In case the UDID Card or Affidavit submitted by the candidate is found to be 'FAKE', the seat of the candidate will be 'CANCELLED'; and legal action will be taken against the candidate.

5. The Eligibility Certificate will be valid for this academic session only.
6. Any candidate aggrieved by the findings or decision of the Medical Assessment Board may seek a review. (ANNEXURE: 2)

CHAPTER 5- 50% ALL INDIA QUOTA

There will be four rounds of AIQ counseling i.e. Round 1, Round 2, Round-3 and AIQ Stray Vacancy Round (SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India). All candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET MDS conducted by the National Board of Examination (NBE) will be eligible for participation in the counselling process. Eligible candidates may download the Rank letter/ Result from NBE website. Cut-off rank of eligible candidates will also be available on the MCC website (www.mcc.nic.in).

Open seats-domicile free includes:

- i. 50% All India Quota seats
- ii. 50% Seats of BHU
- iii. 50% Seats of AMU
- iv. 50% All India Quota seats of DU/Central Institutes

5.1 Reservation Policy

- ❖ Reservation Policy of the Central Government for the NEET-PG Counselling in All India Quota is as follows:
 - S.C.- 15%
 - S.T.- 7.5%
 - O.B.C.- (Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list- 27%
 - EWS- as per Central Government norms- 10%
- ❖ PwD- (Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms) Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per the NMC/DCI norms. Please refer to NMC Guidelines (Copy enclosed as Annexure 2)
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in MDS seats of Govt. /Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility Certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical Assessment Boards as per the list enclosed as **ANNEXURE- 1**. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board **will not be** accepted.
- ❖ Candidates declared Qualified/Eligible for All India Quota Postgraduate Seats only will be eligible for online allotment process for All India Quota Seats, which is conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee (MCC), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, & Government of India. For State Quota, Private medical and dental college seats the candidates are required to contact the appropriate State Government/Admission Authority & Directorate of Medical Education. Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) will not be able to guide candidates in this matter.

5.2 Roster:

- ❖ The 3200-point roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW as per the reservation policy.

5.3 Eligibility Condition:

- The Candidate should have qualified NEET MDS.
 - Domicile free.
- ❖ The conversion of seats will be carried out during the online Round-3. The said conversion will be done only when the eligible candidates belonging to the said category have been exhausted. The algorithm for conversion of category is as follows:

CONVERSION ALGORITHM

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR

CHAPTER 6- 100% DEEMED UNIVERSITY

- ❖ From, 2017 the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.267 of 2017 (Dar-Us-Slam Educational Trust case) directed the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW to conduct counseling of 100% seats of Deemed Universities.
- ❖ There will be four rounds of Counseling i.e., Round 1 & Round 2, Round-3 & Stray Vacancy Round and all the rounds will be conducted by MCC.
- ❖ As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide **order dated 12.12.2022** passed in "I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India &Ors.",

"2. Having heard Ms Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General, we direct that for 100% deemed universities:

- (i) There shall be four rounds of common counselling for the All-India Quota seats conducted by the Medical Counseling Committee; and*
- (ii) The Medical Counseling Committee is permitted to conduct an online counselling for the stray vacancy round.*

3. The above directions shall take effect from the ensuing academic year 2022-23."

In light of the above directions, as passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of DGHS, MoHFW, shall conduct the counselling for the Stray Vacancy Round of **100% (ALL) seats of Deemed Universities.**

- ❖ All the candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET MDS conducted by NBE including candidates from Union Territory of J&K will be eligible. Eligible candidates may download the Rank letter/Result from NBE website.

6.1 Reservation Policy:

- ❖ The eligible Indian National Candidates wanting to get converted to sponsored NRI category have to submit the following documents as and when the same are called for by the MCC:

a. NEET-MDS Admit Card and Score Card

b. Proof of NRI Status of the parent/relative:

- **Valid Passport**
- **Visa / Residence Permit / Work Permit**
- **Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card / PIO card, if applicable**
- **NRI Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Embassy / Indian Consulate).**

c. In case of sponsorship by a relative:

Evidence of Bonafide Guardianship stating relationship between the NRI relative and the candidate. The sponsor must have acted as the guardian of the candidate and must submit valid legal documentary proof establishing that the sponsor is the legally recognized guardian, in accordance with the provisions of the Guardian and Wards Act.

It should also state that the guardian will sponsor the entire course fee and living expenses of the candidate during the period of study duly supported by NRE (Non-Resident External) Bank Account Pass Book.

d. 10th & 12th mark sheets + passing certificate

e. Birth certificate of candidate

f. Passport of candidate/ sponsor

- There will be no reservation for OBC/ SC/ ST/ PWD/EWS candidates in Deemed Universities.

There might be reservation for Jain Minority or Muslim Minority in certain deemed universities. Candidates are requested to verify their eligibility for the same before applying under the said category.

Candidates claiming reservation under NRI Quota will not be able to claim reservation status under any other quota i.e. Jain Minority/Muslim Minority/any other quota.

4.2 As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 03.02.2024 passed in *W.P (Civil) 891 of 2021 in the matter of 'Anushka Rengunthwar & Ors. Vs Union of India & Ors.'*,

"57. Hence, the notification being sustainable prospectively, we hereby declare that the impugned portion of the notification which provides for supersession of the notifications dated 11.04.2005, 05.01.2007 and 05.01.2009 and the clause 4(ii), its proviso and Explanation (1) thereto shall operate prospectively in respect of OCI cardholders who have secured the same subsequent to 04.03.2021.

58. We further hold that the petitioners in all these cases and all other similarly placed OCI cardholders will be entitled to the rights and privileges which had been conferred on them earlier to the notification dated 04.03.2021 and could be availed by them notwithstanding the exclusion carved out in the notification dated 04.03.2021. The participation of the petitioners and similarly placed OCI cardholders in the selection process and the subsequent action based on 74 the interim orders passed herein or elsewhere shall stand regularized."

Keeping in view of the directions passed hereinabove, the OCI cardholders will now be eligible to the rights which were provided to them earlier to the impugned notification dated 04.03.2021. They will be treated at par with Indian citizens and will be eligible for UR (General) category seats as well as NRI seats for the purpose of NEET (UG)-2026 and NEET (PG)-2026 for counselling conducted by MCC.

Eligibility Condition:

- The Candidate should have qualified NEET MDS.
- Domicile free.

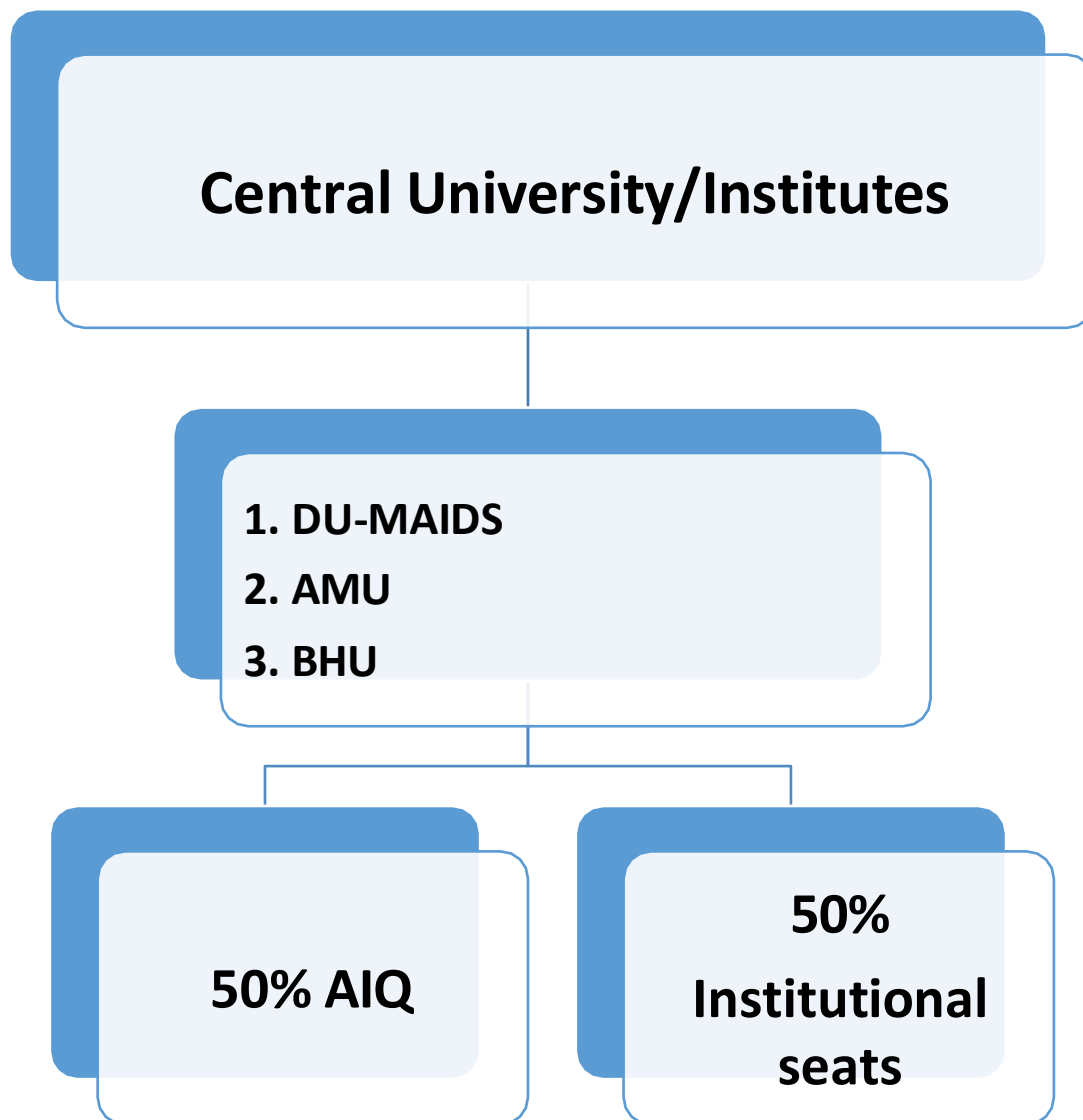
Conversion of seats:

NRI seats/ Jain Minority seats/Muslim Minority seats- Seats for NRI/Jain Minority/Muslim Minority will be converted to Self-Financed Merit seats for UR Category after exhaustion of all the eligible candidates for NRI seats/ Jain Minority seats/Muslim Minority seats during Round-3.

CHAPTER 7- CENTRAL UNIVERSITY/INSTITUTE

There will be four rounds of counseling i.e., Round 1, Round 2, Round-3 & Stray Vacancy Round to be conducted by MCC of DGHS.

All the candidates who have qualified for All India Quota seats on the basis of their rank in NEET MDS conducted by NBE will be eligible for the Fifty percent (50%) AIQ seats of Central University.



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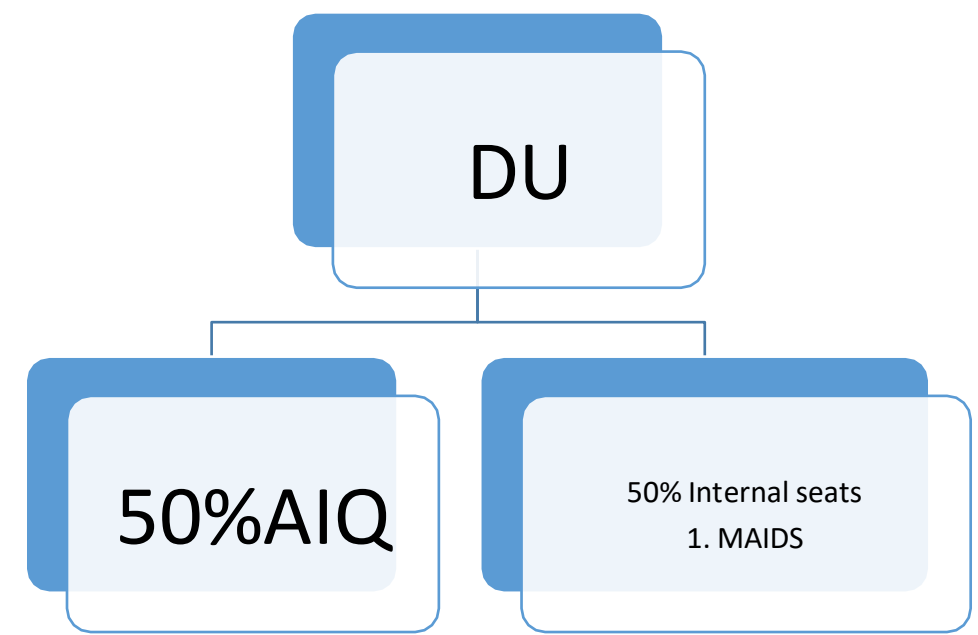
- ❖ The counseling for **50% AIQ is domicile free.**
- ❖ The eligibility conditions for the internal quota is given by the colleges/institutes, **MCC has no role to play in determining the eligibility conditions for the internal quota** of the Central Universities/Institutes.
- ❖ The Candidate are requested to go through the eligibility conditions before applying for the internal quota of the Central Universities/Institutes and ensure that they meet the prescribed eligibility conditions.
- ❖ If any Candidate at any stage of the counseling process is found to have furnished any incorrect/wrong information with regard to his/her eligibility condition, his/her **candidature shall be cancelled** for the further rounds of the counseling and the security deposit shall be forfeited.
- ❖ Reservation of seats under **PwD Category is 5% in Central Universities** and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see **Annexure '2'**.
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt. /Central medical institutions should obtain **Eligibility Certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities** given under RPwD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the designated Medical Assessment Boards as per the list enclosed as ANNEXURE- 1. The certificate issued by any other hospital/ board will not be accepted.
- ❖ The conversion of seats will be carried out during the Round 3 for Central Universities/Institutes. The said conversion will be done only when the Candidates belonging to the said Category have exhausted.

The algorithm for conversion of category is as follows:

CONVERSION ALGORITHM

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST(PwD)	ST
2.	SC(PwD)	SC
3.	UR(PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR

DELHI UNIVERSITY



Fifty percent (50%) seats will be contributed by Delhi University to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their BDS from DU are eligible for Internal Quota of 50% in Delhi University.

Reservation Policy for AIO seats and Internal seats of DU:

- ❖ The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.-15%
 - S.T.-7.5%
 - O.B.C.-(Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list-27%
 - EWS-as per Central Government norms-10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms-5%
- ❖ Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the twenty-one (21) Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. The updated List of Primary Medical Assessment Boards has been included as **Annexure – 1.**
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility Certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPwD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the Primary Medical Assessment Boards as per the list enclosed as Annexure-1. The certificate issued by any other hospital/board **will not be** accepted.

Roster

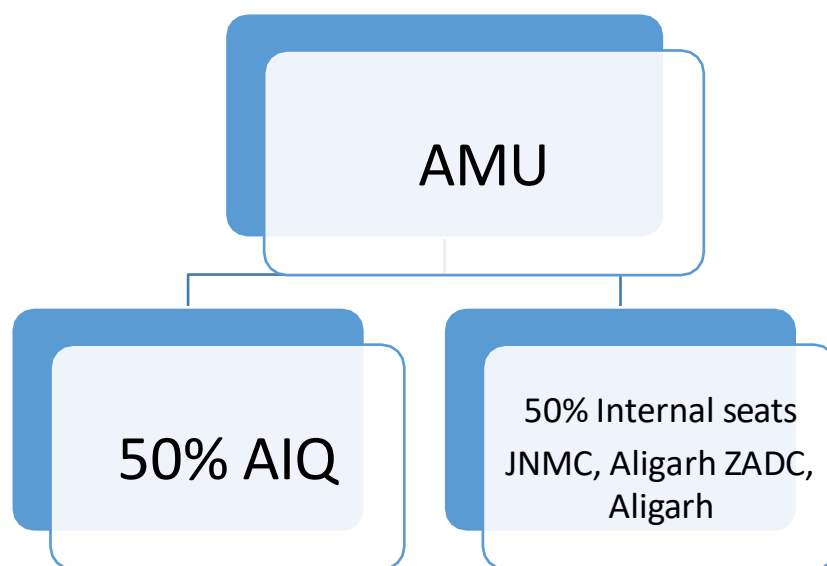
- ❖ The roster on the 50% AIQ as well as 50% Internal seats will be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.

Eligibility Condition for DU Internal Quota:**❖ For Delhi University Quota: -**

The candidate must have passed final BDS examination (for MDS Course) from the University of Delhi and **must have completed satisfactorily one-year compulsory rotating internship as on 31st May of the year of admission (31.05.2026)** and must submit their internship completion certificate at the time of admission.

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by DU. **MCC has no role** to play in this regard).

CHAPTER 8- ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY (AMU)



Fifty percent (50%) Seats will be contributed by the AMU to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their BDS from AMU are eligible for internal seats of 50% in AMU.

Reservation Policy for AIO seats:

- ❖ The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.-15%
 - S.T.-7.5%
 - O.B.C.-(Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list-27%
 - EWS-as per Central Government norms-10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- ❖ For **50% Internal seats of AMU**, there is no reservation.
- ❖ Reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see **Annexure-2**.
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility Certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPwD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the Primary Medical Assessment Boards as per the list enclosed as **Annexure-1**. The certificate issued by any other hospital/board **will not be** accepted.

Roster:

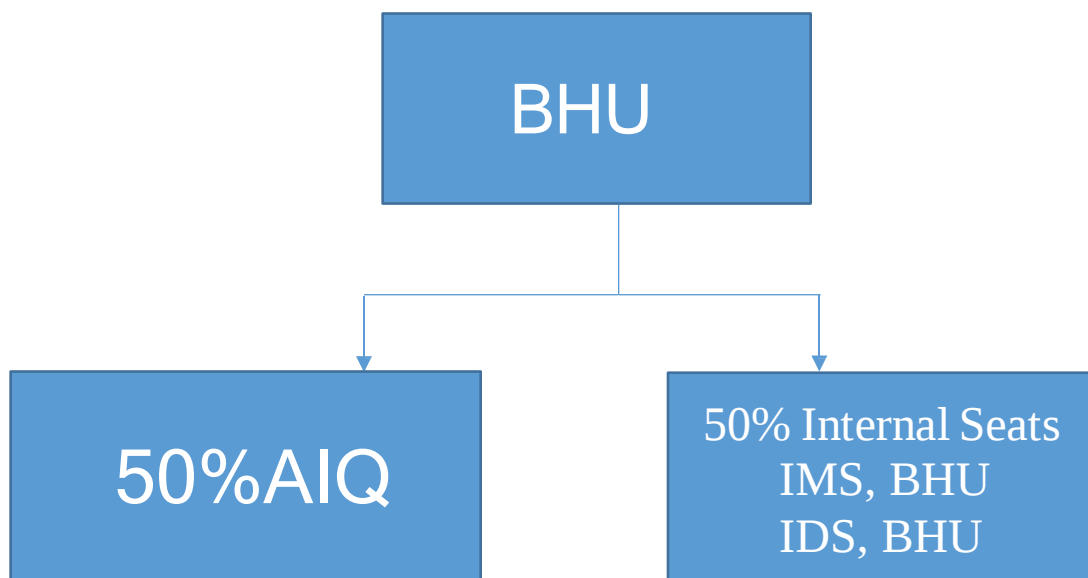
- ❖ The roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- ❖ For the 50% seats of Internal quota of AMU, there is no reservation.

Eligibility Condition for AMU Internal seats:

- ❖ An Institutional (Internal) candidate is one who has passed the qualifying examination (BDS as applicable) from AMU as a regular student not earlier than three (03) academic years from the date of admission to the course, he/she is seeking admission to. And all other candidates shall be treated as External.
- ❖ For admission to MDS course, 2026 in the Faculty of Dentistry, candidates who complete their internship between April 01,2023 and May 31,2026 (both days inclusive) shall be considered as Internal candidates.

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by AMU. **MCC has no role** to play in this regard).

CHAPTER 9- BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY (BHU)



Fifty percent (50%) Seats will be contributed by the BHU to All India Quota. For the remaining 50% seats, candidates who have completed their BDS from BHU are eligible for internal seats of 50% in BHU.

Reservation Policy for AIO seats:

- ❖ The reservation policy of the Central Government is followed:
 - S.C.-15%
 - S.T.-7.5%
 - O.B.C.-(Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list-27%
 - EWS-as per Central Government norms-10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- ❖ For the **50% Internal seats of BHU**, the reservation policy is as follows:
 - S.C.-15%
 - S.T.-7.5%
 - O.B.C.-(Non-Creamy Layer) as per the Central OBC list-27%
 - EWS-as per Central Government norms-10%
 - PwD- Horizontal Reservation as per NMC norms- 5%
- ❖ Reservation of seats under PWD Category is 5% in AIQ and the 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms. For range of disabilities included, please see **Annexure-2**.
- ❖ Candidates who want to avail 5% PwD reservation in PG seats of Govt./Central medical institutions should obtain Eligibility Certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, from the Primary Medical Assessment Boards (list of centers enclosed as

Annexure-1. The certificate issued by any other hospital/board **will not be** accepted.

Roster:

- ❖ The roster on the 50% AIQ seats shall be applied by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.
- ❖ For the 50% Internal quota seats of BHU, reservation roster shall be applied by MCC, DGHS, MoHFW.

Eligibility Condition for BHU Internal seats:

- ❖ Only those Candidates who have passed BDS from Faculty of Dental Sciences, Institute of Medical Sciences, BHU in March 2025 and have completed compulsory rotatory internship before 31.05.2026 will be considered for admission to MDS course 2026 in Faculty of Dental Sciences, IMS, BHU under Internal (Institutional) Quota Pool, provided the candidate has appeared and qualified in NEET MDS 2026 Examination
- ❖ Candidates who are already pursuing MDS course Faculty of Dental Sciences, IMS, BHU through Internal (Institutional) Quota OR passed BDS from Faculty of Dental Sciences, IMS, BHU in earlier academic years (i.e. before March 2025) are not eligible for admission to MDS course-2026 under BHU Internal (Institutional) Quota.

(The eligibility condition for internal quota is provided by BHU. **MCC has no role** to play in this regard).

CHAPTER 10- AFMS

Counselling of Priority- III, IV & V candidates into AFMS PG Teaching Institutes- reg.

As per Letter No. 38217/NEET PG-20224/ DGAFMS/ DG-1D dated 26th June, 2024, it has been informed by the office of DGAFMS that, the counselling for Priority III, IV & V candidates into AFMS PG Teaching Institutes will be conducted by MCC of DGHS.

In this regard, following points may be noted by candidates:

- Eligibility List of Priority III & IV candidates will be provided to MCC by DGAFMS after screening the applications.
- For Priority V candidates: Detailed scope of the medical examination is available in the information bulletin for desirous candidates on AFMS website. Candidates registering under Priority V are to be counseled and provisionally allotted a seat as per their merit cum choice and seat availability. The medical examination of the Priority V candidates, who have been provisionally allotted a seat, will be conducted at their provisionally allotted institute and only those candidates who are found medically fit will be finally admitted.
- Candidates are advised to go to the website www.afmcdg1d.gov.in for detailed information/ Information Bulletin & Notices uploaded on the website in this regard.
- Candidates are also advised to stay in touch with MCC website (www.mcc.nic.in) for further updates.

CHAPTER 11- REGISTRATION: INSTUCTIONS FOR FILLING ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

- ❖ Candidates are informed that e-mail ID and Mobile Number provided in the Online Application Form of NBE will be used for registration on the MCC portal for Counselling. The said fields will be pre-populated in the Application/Registration form of the Counselling. All the information/communication will be sent by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW through email on the registered e-mail address or SMS on registered Mobile Number only.
- ❖ **Any complaint with regard: to the change of registered mobile number or email address shall not be entertained by the MCC of DGHS, MoHFW.**
- ❖ Candidates are advised to use Laptop or Computer along with the latest registered version of Chrome/Internet Explorer/Firefox/Windows/IOS and a good internet connection during the Registration and Choice-Filling process to avoid any technical complications.
- ❖ Please note that registration facility will be available at the beginning of first round, second round, third round and stray vacancy round on notified dates. Under no circumstances any request (for any reason) for registration, shall be entertained after closing of registration.
- ❖ It is **mandatory** for candidates to carry their original documents during physical reporting to college / institute for confirmation /joining of seat.
- ❖ Kindly refer to details of counseling scheme as mentioned below before filling the online forms etc.
 - ❖ **ROUND-1 (Start & End)**
 - ❖ **ROUND-2 (Start & End)**
 - ❖ **ROUND-3 (Start & End)**
 - ❖ **STRAY VACANCY ROUND**

(kindly see next page onwards)

ROUND-1 (Start)

- a) Main counseling Registration which will include payment of Non-refundable Registration fee and Refundable Security Deposit (to be refunded only in the account from which payment has been made).
- b) Exercising of Choice filling and locking of choices.
- c) Process of Seat Allotment Round-1
- d) Publication of result of Round-1 on MCC website.
- e) Physical Reporting at the allotted Medical/Dental College with original documents against Round-1 (one).
- f) Candidates who have been allotted a seat in round one (1) can opt for free exit and can directly participate in round two.
- g) Candidates who have allotted a seat in round one (1) can opt for willingness to upgrade from round 1 to round 2 only after physical reporting at college/institute.
- h) If a registered candidate is not allotted a seat in round one (1), he can participate in round 2 directly without fresh registration.
- i) Candidates willing to upgrade from Round 1 to Round 2 have to report at the allotted institute/college with original documents of round 1 and complete the admission formalities. During the completion of admission formalities, if the candidate wishes to upgrade then he/she has to give willingness for upgradation in the college.

END OF ROUND 1

ROUND-2 (Start)

- a) Candidates who registered for Round-1 and did not get any seat allotted are **not** required to register again.
- b) New/fresh Registration for Round-2 is to be done by those candidates who
 - a. Have not registered in Round-1 (with full payment of fees).
- c) Candidates who have Resigned / Not reported in Round-1 need not register again.
- d) Fresh Choice filling and locking of choices for Round-2.
- e) Publication of result of Round-2 on MCC website.
- f) All the Candidates (Freeze/ Float) have to submit the scanned copies of their documents on the MCC portal.
- g) Candidates who want to upgrade their seat in Round-3 can give willingness for upgradation online. (FLOAT CANDIDATES) Such candidates do not need to physically report at the allotted college
- h) Physical Reporting with original documents at the allotted Medical/Dental College/ institute against Round 2 for those candidates who do not wish to upgrade in next round (**Freeze Candidates**).
- i) If a candidate freshly registered in round 2 is **not** allotted a seat, he/she can participate in round 3 directly without fresh registration.
- j) If upgraded in Round 2, the candidate will get automatically relieving from Round 1 seat and join Round 2 seat.
- k) Candidates getting upgraded in Round 2 **Shall NOT** have any claim on Round 1 seat.
- l) Following Candidates allotted seats in round 2, are eligible to **exit** with forfeiture of Security deposit
 - Candidate who are freshly allotted a seat but want to leave the seat and participate in further rounds
 - Candidates upgraded from round one (1) but not joining the allotted seat.
 - Candidates who joined the college/institute and then resigned.
- m) Candidates who have been allotted a seat in round 2 can opt for willingness to upgrade from round 2 to round 3 for which they will have to physically report at the Round 2 allotted college/institute and thereafter opt for willingness

END OF ROUND 2

Round-3 Start

Eligibility criteria for Round 3 candidates:

- a) Fresh Registration with payment of registration fee for candidates who have not registered in Round 1 or Round 2.
 - Fresh/New Registration for those candidates who have resigned from Round 2 with full payment of fees.
 - Who registered in Round-2 and exited with Forfeiture of fees without joining can register again with fresh payment of fees.
 - Those who registered but were not allotted a seat in Round-1 & Round-2 need not register again.
- b) Exercising of Fresh Choice filling and locking of choices
- c) Publication of result of third Round on MCC website.
- d) After Round-3 provisional allotment result declaration → Mandatory physical reporting for all allotted candidates of Round 3 at the Allotted Institutes and Float.
Candidates of Round 1/ Round 2 who did not get upgraded will have to physically report at their Institute.
- e) If any candidate does not join Round 3 seat, he may exit with forfeiture of security deposit and elimination (cannot participate in further rounds of counseling conducted by MCC, DGHS).
- f) If a candidate freshly registers in round 3 and is not allotted any seat, he/she is eligible to participate in stray/further rounds.
- g) Candidates getting upgraded in Round 3 shall Not have any claim on earlier round allotted seat.

Note: MCC of DGHS will share the data of joined candidates of round 1, round 2 and round 3 of counselling with all the participating States. Similarly, the participating States will also share the data of joined candidates. Candidates who are already holding a seat in Round-1, Round-2 and Round-3 will be weeded out before the seat processing of AIQ Stray Vacancy Round.

- h) There will be conversion of seats in Round-3 as per following conversion algorithm once candidates belonging to a particular category get exhausted.

CONVERSION ALGORITHM (applicable in third round)

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR
8.	NRI/Jain Minority/Muslim Minority	UR

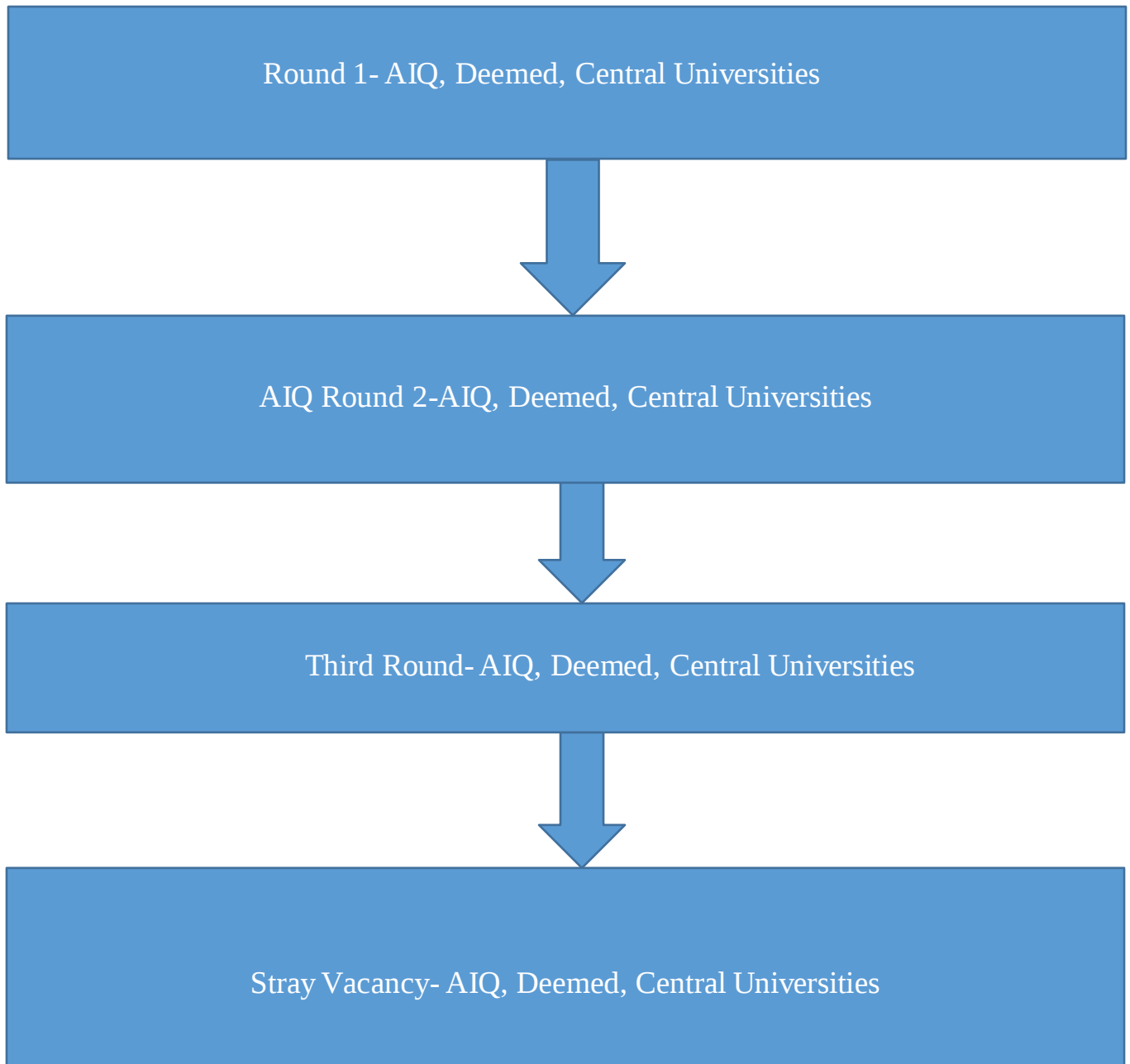
END OF ROUND 3

FINAL STRAY VACANCY ROUND

- a. Fresh registrations and fresh choice filling for Final Stray Vacancy Round. The choices filled during third round **will not be** considered for allotment in Stray Vacancy Round.
- b. Eligible candidates who are not holding a seat or got no seats in Round-1, 2 & 3 (AIQ, State, Deemed) can participate in Stray Vacancy Round.)
- c. Allotment of seats 'Online' by running software.
- d. For Deemed Universities the Stray Vacancy Round will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India *vide order dated 12.12.2022 passed in I.A NO. 132614/2022 IN W.P (c) NO. 267/2017 in Dar-us Slam Educational trust and Ors. vs. Medical Council of India & Ors.*",
- e. If a candidate is allotted a seat in Stray round, he/she has to report & join the allotted seat/college failing which the security deposit of the candidate will be forfeited.
- f. Data of candidates allotted in Stray Round will be shared with States and vice versa. If any candidate has his/her name in the list of allotted candidates in State, then such candidates shall be eliminated from counseling during the processing of Stray Vacancy Round.

END OF STRAY VACANCY ROUND

COUNSELLING STAGES



CHAPTER 12- RESULT

The counseling for NEET-MDS is conducted by MCC based on the result of qualified candidates sent by NBE. The whole counseling process is completely automated without any manual intervention.

MCC uploads the **provisional result initially in every round** for verification of the candidates/college/institute based on their choices, merit and eligibility. They will also be given an opportunity to reach out to MCC if there is any discrepancy in the result. If no discrepancy is found or if the discrepancy is rectified, then the **final result** is uploaded on the MCC website. The provisional result is only indicative in nature and is subject to change. It may not be utilized for any legal purpose.

Candidates are advised not to proceed for booking tickets after the declaration of the provisional result. They should wait for the final allotment letter to be issued by the MCC of DGHS.

Once the Candidates are allotted a seat based on their merit, choice & eligibility, in any of the Rounds of counseling conducted by MCC, the Candidates will be required to download their '**allotment letter**' from the MCC website (www.mcc.nic.in). If the Candidate is satisfied with his/her allotment he/she may approach the allotted college/institute for completing the admission formalities within the reporting time schedule.

However, it is clarified that, the allotment made by MCC in any of the rounds is purely provisional subject to physical verification of documents of the candidate by the allotted college/institute authorities.

ADMISSION

If the Candidate is satisfied with his/her allotment he/she may approach the allotted college/institute for completing the admission formalities.

Original documents required at the time of joining in allotted Medical/Dental College are as mentioned below:

- i. Allotment Letter issued by MCC (**Essential document**).
- ii. Admit Card issued by NBE.
- iii. Result/Rank Letter issued by NBE.
- iv. Mark Sheets of BDS 1st, 2nd ,3rd and Final Professional Examinations.
- v. BDS Degree Certificate/ Provisional Certificate. (**Essential document**).
- vi. Internship Completion Certificate/Certificate from the Head of Institution or College that the candidate shall complete the Internship by 31st May, of this year.

- vii.** Permanent/ provisional Registration Certificate issued by DCI/ State Dental Council. Provisional Registration Certificate is acceptable only in cases where candidate is undergoing internship and likely to complete the same on or before 31st May of the year of admission. **(Essential document)**
- viii.** High School/Higher Secondary Certificate/Birth Certificate as proof of date or birth. **(Essential document)**
- ix. Candidates allotted seat must carry one of the identification proofs (ID Proof) to the allotted college at the time of admission (as mentioned in the information Bulletin published by the National Board of Examinations (NBE) for NEET i.e. PAN Card, Driving License, Voter ID, Passport or Aadhaar Card).
- x. The Candidate should also bring the following certificates, if applicable:
 - a)** SC/ST Certificate issued by the competent authority (in the format as specified in the Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. Sub caste should be clearly mentioned in the certificate. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
 - b)** EWS Certificate as per the Central Govt. Norms (in the format as specified in the Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
 - c)** OBC certificate issued by the competent authority. The sub-caste should tally with the Central List of OBC. The OBC candidates should not belong to Creamy Layer. The OBC certificate must be in the format as mentioned in the prospectus. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document).**
 - d)** Eligibility Certificate issued from a designated Primary Medical Assessment Board of MCC for 21 Benchmark Disabilities as per the Rights of Persons with Disability Act,2016 and NMC Norms. No other certificate, issued by any other Authorities/ Hospital will be entertained.
 - e)** **NRI/OCI sponsored certificates etc must be brought in original at the time of reporting (Essential document)**

The physical verification of the documents will be done by the respective college authorities and MCC has no role to play in the same. However, it is once again clarified that, the allotment made by MCC in

any of the rounds is purely provisional subject to physical verification of documents of the candidate by the allotted college authorities.

Also, the information regarding Stipend/fee structure/course duration/bond amount/rendering of service in rural/tribal area/other conditions etc. has been provided by Medical Colleges. MCC/ DGHS takes no responsibility regarding the said information including Fees/Bond/Mode of Payment or any typographical error/ data etc. Candidates are advised to visit College website or contact the College Authorities directly for any query regarding above information before filling choices.

CHAPTER 13- COUNSELLING PROCESS-FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Rounds	Types of Counselling
Round 1- (By MCC)	AIQ, Deemed University, Central University/Institutes
Round 2- (By MCC)	AIQ, Deemed University, Central University/Institutes
Round 3- (By MCC)	AIQ, Deemed University, Central University/Institutes
Stray Vacancy Round- (By MCC)	AIQ, Deemed University, Central University/Institutes

Q. No. 1: When will online allotment process for this year start?

Ans: Online allotment process will start as per counseling Schedule for PG online Counseling for the current academic year. Please See Schedule available on www.mcc.nic.in website.

Q. No. 2: Do I have to report to any counseling center for registration or choice filling?

Ans: No. Online registration and choice filling can be done from place of convenience (Including from home) using internet. Uninterrupted internet facility should be ensured.

Q. No. 3: What information do I require for online registration?

Ans: Please note that you will be asked to fill some of the information (we are not showing it here for security reasons) that you have given in your application form of NBE, admit card of examination during online registration and provided by the examination conducting agency (NBE). Therefore, keep a copy of your application form and admit card ready for reference. These documents may be retained as they may be required till you complete your PG course.

Q. No. 4: How do I get password for logging in?

Ans: During the process of online registration, you will generate your own password. Candidates are advised to keep the password that they have created, confidential to them till the end of the counseling process. They can change the password after creating one. Password is very important for participating in online allotment process. Sharing of password can result in its misuse by somebody else, leading to even exclusion of genuine candidate from online allotment process.

Q. No. 5: How much time will I be given to join the allotted course?

Ans: Candidates who are allotted seats will be required to join the allotted college/course within stipulated time from the date of allotment as mentioned in the counseling schedule. However, candidates are advised to join as early as possible and not to wait for last day of joining, due to different schedule of holiday/working hours in various Medical/Dental Colleges, also keeping in view that Medical/Dental colleges will have to furnish information about joining/non- joining status of candidates on Medical Counseling Committee portal. In some of the Colleges it may take 2 to 3 days' time for completion of admission formalities.

Q. No. 6: What documents are required at the time of joining in allotted Medical / Dental College?

Ans: Original documents required at the time of joining in allotted Medical/Dental College are as mentioned below:

- i. Allotment Letter issued by MCC **(Essential document)**
- ii. Admit Card issued by NBE **(Essential document)**
- iii. Result/Rank Letter issued by NBE **(Essential document)**
- iv. Mark Sheets of BDS 1st, 2nd, 3rd & Final Professional Examinations. **(Essential document)**
- v. BDS Degree Certificate/Provisional Certificate. **(Essential document)**
- vi. Internship Completion Certificate/Certificate from the Head of Institution or College that the candidate shall complete the Internship by 31st May, of the year of admission. **(Essential document)**
- vii. Permanent / provisional Registration Certificate issued by DCI/State Dental Council. Provisional Registration Certificate is acceptable only in cases where candidate is undergoing internship and likely to complete the same on or before 31st May of the year of admission. **(Essential document)**
- viii. High School/Higher Secondary Certificate/Birth Certificate as proof of date of birth. **(Essential document)**
- ix. Candidates allotted seat must carry one of the identification proofs (ID Proof) to the allotted college at the time of admission (as mentioned in the information Bulletin published by the National Board of Examinations (NBE) for NEET i.e. PAN Card, Driving License, Voter ID, Passport or Aadhar Card). **(Essential document)**
- x. The Candidate should also bring the following certificates, if applicable **(Essential document)**
 - a) SC/ST Certificate issued by the competent authority (in the format as specified in the Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. Sub caste should be clearly mentioned in the certificate. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
 - b) EWS Certificate as per the Central Govt. Norms (in the format as specified in the

Information Bulletin) and should be in English or Hindi language. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**

- c) OBC certificate issued by the competent authority. The sub-caste should tally with the Central List of OBC. The OBC candidates should not belong to Creamy Layer. The OBC certificate must be in the format as mentioned in the prospectus. The translated certificate must be certified by a Gazetted Officer. **(Essential document)**
- d) Eligibility Certificate issued from a designated the Primary Medical Assessment Boards of MCC for 21 Benchmark Disabilities as per the Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2016 and NMC Norms. No other PwD certificate, issued by any other Authority/ Hospital will be entertained.
- e) **NRI/OCI sponsored certificates etc must be brought in original at the time of reporting as given in NRI chapter (Essential document)**

Candidates without original certificates / documents shall not be allowed to take admission in allotted Medical / Dental College.

Please note that the required documents at the time of admission may vary as per College/Institute Policy. Hence candidates may verify the same from allotted college before Reporting.

Q. No. 7: What are the various fees to be paid at the time of registration?

Ans: The following table explains the answer to the question

Payment Scheme for Different categories	Non- Refundable (Fees)		Refundable (Security Deposit)	
	Unreserved (UR/EWS candidates)	Reserved (ST/SC/OBC/PwD)	Unreserved (UR/EWS candidates)	Reserved (ST/SC/OBC/PwD, Applicable-Jain/Muslims)
AIQ	Rs. 1000/-	Rs.500/-	Rs. 25000/-	Rs. 10000/-
Deemed Universities	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 2,00,000/-	Rs. 2,00,000/-

For examples:

Example 1: Any SC candidate opting for AIQ will pay registration fee of Rs 500/- + Rs. 10,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit.)

Example 2: Any Unreserved candidate opting for AIQ will pay registration fee of Rs 1000/- + Rs. 25,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit.)

Example3: Any candidate opting for Deemed Universities will have to pay registration fee of Rs

5000/- + Rs 2,00,000/- (Refundable Security Deposit)

Q. No. 8: What are the circumstances wherein the refundable security deposit will be forfeited?

Ans. Under the following circumstances the refundable security deposit will be forfeited by MCC:

- i. Where a Candidate has been allotted a seat in Round 2 or subsequent rounds and does not give willingness for upgradation/ report at the allotted college to complete the admission process as explained in Flow Chart and “Changes” Chapter.
- ii. The Security Deposit will be forfeited if the admission gets cancelled after allotment due to any reason. E.g., in case the candidate gives wrong information at the time of registration on the basis of which a seat may be allotted but later cancelled by the Admission Authorities at the time of reporting or fails to produce the required documents at the time of admission.

Q. No. 9: In case candidate must apply for both AIQ and for Deemed University should the candidate pay the fee for both?

Ans: No, in such case the candidate has to pay only the higher fee i.e. of Deemed University Rs.5000/- and 2 Lakh Refundable Security Deposit.

Q. No. 10: What are the instructions regarding OBC, SC, ST, PwD & EWS certificates?

Ans: Candidates are advised to see Annexure(s) in this Information Bulletin. In case the candidate fails to produce proper Caste, PwD, EWS Certificate, if applicable, at allotted Medical/Dental College then he/she will not be permitted to join and the seat will be cancelled by the allotted Medical / Dental College.

Further, the reservation of seats under PwD Category is 5% in AIQ. Currently, 21 Benchmark Disabilities as envisaged under the regulations of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and as per NMC norms, have been included, where earlier only the lower motor disabilities were included.

The qualified Persons with Disability (PwD) candidates should get themselves certified at one of the Primary Medical Assessment Boards, constituted in various states. The list of Centers who will issue Eligibility Certificates as per NMC norms is attached as Annexure-1. The extent of “specified disability” in a Person with Disability (PwD candidate) shall be assessed in accordance with the NMC guidelines for the purpose of issuing Eligibility Certificate and at the time of admission in the college. Further, all the PwD candidates participating in the MDS Counselling are required to get themselves assessed for their disability and obtain an Eligibility Certificate from any one of the Primary Medical Assessment Boards.

IMPORTANT: Qualified PwD candidates are advised to get themselves examined immediately before the conduction of any of the round(s) at one of the centers and to obtain Disability (PwD) Certificate in an online mode. The candidates are advised to keep a copy of the Eligibility Certificate with them. Only Candidates who have made their Eligibility Certificate through online mode from the designated centers will be eligible to fill in the PwD choices.

OBC/EWS Certificate must be of the financial year as specified in the certificate attached in the annexure 4 & 5 of the information bulletin.

Q. No. 11: Is there any restriction for filling up number of choices of Institutions (Colleges) or subjects in choice filling form?

Ans: No, you can give as many choices as you wish. However, choices should be in order of preference, as the allotment is done on the basis of choices submitted by the qualified candidate in order of preference given by the candidate and as per availability.

However, it is advisable that the participating candidate's fill-in the choices up to a total of 30-40 choices.

Q. No. 12: Can I have some idea about the seat I am likely to get at my rank?

Ans: Yes, the previous year allotment results are available on the MCC website i.e. www.mcc.nic.in. This will only be indicative (without any guarantee for the current year).

Q. No. 13: Is it necessary to fill up the choices and lock the choices to get seat allotted? Or I will be allotted seat automatically from available seats?

Ans: After online registration (registration is compulsory to take part in online allotment process), you have to fill in choice of subjects and Institutions/colleges in order of preference. Once choices are filled in, it can be modified before locking it. During the choice locking period it is necessary to save & lock the choices to get a print of your submitted choices. If candidate does not lock the choices submitted by him/her, they will be automatically locked on notified date at notified time. Though, you will be allowed to take a print of your choices after locking, but you will not be permitted to modify your choices after locking.

IMPORTANT: Don't wait till the last minute to lock your choices and to take a ~~print~~ Please go through your submitted choices and save them before locking as once you lock the choices the same cannot be changed or even modified if you have made a mistake. Mistake in filling choices may result in allotment of a seat which you never wanted. Also, it won't be possible to unlock your choices at MCC's end.

Q. No. 14: Is it necessary to join allotted Medical / Dental College in Round-1 to get chance to participate in next round (2nd Round)?

Ans: Round-1 allotted candidates have FREE EXIT Option. Those who do not want to join the allotted seat can Exit without forfeiture of security deposit.

Physical Reporting with original documents at the allotted Medical/ Dental College against Round-1 is required for candidates who do not want upgradation. (FREEZE CANDIDATES).

Candidates who want to upgrade their seat in Round -2 can give willingness for upgradation online. (FLOAT CANDIDATES) Such candidates do not need to physically report at the allotted college.

Q. No. 15: What is second round of online allotment process & who are eligible for the same?

Ans:

- Round-2 of online allotment process is fresh allotment and up-gradation round wherein the candidates who have not registered initially during round-1 can register and participate for round-2.
- Candidates who have given willingness for upgradation during Round- 1. And, candidates who were allotted Round-1 seat but did not join it, can also participate without fresh registration.

For details, please refer to Flow Chart/ Chapter on Reporting/ Upgradation

Therefore, the following categories of Candidates are eligible for seat allotment in 2nd round:

Category–I: Registered candidates who participated in Round-1 but did not get any seat allotted in the 1st round.

Category-II: Registered candidates, whose seat allotted in Round-1 got cancelled during document verification at the time of reporting for admission.

Category–III: Candidates who have submitted willingness for upgradation in Round-1 as ‘Yes’.

Category-IV: Candidates who exited during Round-1 availing Free Exit can log in again with their earlier Registration details.

Category-V: Candidates who did not register in Round-1 can do fresh registration and participate directly in Round-2.

(*) Conversion algorithm: The conversion of seats will be carried out during the Round-3 for **AIQ, Deemed, Central Universities/Institutes and DNB**. Accordingly, the candidates are required to keep this aspect also in mind while filling up the seats during choice filling period before allotment of Round-3. The conversion of vacant reserved seats will be done as per the following algorithm:

S.NO.	CATEGORY	CATEGORY CONVERTED TO
1.	ST (PwD)	ST
2.	SC (PwD)	SC
3.	UR (PwD)	UR
4.	OBC(PwD)	OBC
5.	ST	SC
6.	SC	UR
7.	EWS	UR
8.	NRI/Muslim Minority/Jain Minority	UR

Q. No. 16: Do I have to fill-up choices of subject and College to participate in second Round of allotment process separately?

Ans: Yes, for Round-2, Round-3 and subsequent rounds of Deemed/ Central Universities, candidates are required to submit fresh choices. During the second round of online allotment process, the choice of higher preference will be considered for up-gradation for those candidates who gave option to upgrade their choice at the time of reporting of Round-1. During Round-2, fresh allotment will be considered for those eligible candidates who could not be allotted seat due to non-availability of seat in Round-1, (subject to availability of seat) and for candidates who have logged in again in Round-2 after Free Exit from Round-1.

Q. No. 17: If sufficient number of qualified PwD candidates are not available then, what will happen to those un-allotted PG seats, reserved for PwD candidates?

Ans: The un-allotted PG seats earmarked for UR-PwD, SC-PwD, ST-PwD and OBC- PwD will be reverted/converted to respective categories like SC-PwD to SC and so on.

Q. No. 18: If I give consent for up-gradation of my choice during Round-1 and if my choice is upgraded, is it necessary to join at college allotted during second round? Or in case I change my decision of upgrading choice, can I continue to study in college allotted through first round of allotment?

Ans: In case candidate is allotted seat during the Round-1 of allotment process and his choice is upgraded in Round-2, the seat allotted during the first round will be automatically cancelled immediately (and allotted to somebody else eligible as per merit) and candidate will either have to report at the allotted college or give willingness for upgradation online. For further details refer to Flow Chart/ Chapter about “Changes”.

Seat can also be up-graded in the same college by change of category (i.e. ST / SC / OBC to UR or PwD to non-PwD seat) in such a case the candidate has to take fresh admission on the up-graded seat.

Q. No. 19: If I give option to participate in ROUND-2 at the time of joining college from first round allotment, but later change my decision and want to continue study at already allotted Medical / Dental College of Round-1, what is the procedure to avoid change (cancellation) of already allotted college/seat?

Ans: Refer to the Flow Chart/ Chapter about “Changes”.

Q. No 20. If I have given my willingness as ‘YES’ and I do not wish to participate in further round and want to retain my current allotted seat, what is the procedure for that?

Ans. If a candidate has given his/her willingness as “YES” and wants to retain his/her current seat, the candidate need not fill the choices in next round. Hence, the original/current seat will be retained by the candidate.

Q. No. 21: If I forget my password that I have created during the process of registration, how to retrieve it?

Ans: To retrieve the forgotten password, system facilitates the following process:

The candidate is required to enter the information that he/she filled at the time of registration and then the security question & answer thereon to be entered as given during New Candidate registration process. The above data submitted by candidate will be validated with the registered candidates' database. If the above entries match, then only the candidate would be permitted to enter new password to proceed further.

IMPORTANT

Candidates are advised to remember the password and also retain their application form and admit cards printout ready till completion of admission process. It is not possible for MCC/NIC to retrieve such password.

Q. No. 22: In case I have Birth Certificate/Caste Certificate/other certificate(s) in regional language, will it be acceptable at the time of reporting/joining?

Ans: Certificates issued by the competent authority should be in English or Hindi language. Please remember that some of the states insist for certificate in English language only. Candidates are advised to carry Certified Copy of English version of the original certificate, in case certificate issued is in other language than English along with original certificate.

Q. No. 23: If there is discrepancy in spelling of name in documents and application form, what do I do?

Ans: If there is discrepancy in spelling in documents candidate must carry proof that the documents belong to same person, in form of an affidavit/undertaking.

Q. No. 24: What about condition of Stipend / fee structure / course duration / bond amount / Rendering of service in rural / tribal area / other conditions.

Ans: Stipend/fee structure/ course duration / bond amount / rendering of service in rural / tribal area/other conditions etc. may vary from State to State and Institute to Institute. Some seats may be approved / permitted but not yet recognized by National Dental Commission/ DCI.

However, MCC does not differentiate between Recognized/ Permitted Seats and the allotment is made only on MCI/NMC/DCI APPROVED Seats. The allotment made through online allotment process will be firm and final as per Hon'ble Supreme Court's directions. Therefore, the candidates should well examine these points before opting for a seat at a medical/dental college. The Medical Counseling Committee (MCC) shall neither be responsible nor shall entertain any case on above grounds, if any. The information received from various participating Medical/ Dental Colleges has been made available on Ministry of Health & Family Welfare / MCC website (under the Medical Counseling - Post-graduate Counseling - Information about college, fee, bond information etc.). Candidates are advised to visit the website of college/ institution to check the information. In case they require any additional information, they can contact the college / institution on telephone. **MCC has no role in**

fixation of Fee Structure of participating colleges including Deemed Universities. Therefore, MCC of DGHS will not entertain any request or complaint regarding Fee Structure of participating colleges including Deemed Universities. The Candidates may also verify the address of the selected colleges at the time of choice-filling.

Q. No. 25: How to use registration and Choice filling form on website?

Ans: Candidates will have to log on to website www.mcc.nic.in to **get registered (Registration facility will open on dates as mentioned in Schedule)** and then fill in choices. It is advised that after going through the seat matrix, a tentative list may be prepared first as per your preference of subjects and colleges, before attempting to fill choices on-line.

Q. No. 26: Difficulty in login, what may be the problem(s)?

Ans: Follow the instructions about use of browser (**Mozilla Fire Fox, Internet Explorer - (Latest Version), Google Chrome**), use of same spellings, same format of date (Use digits for day, month and year with - in between) as in application form submitted to **National Board of Examination (NBE)**, New Delhi. The internet connection should be uninterrupted. If internet connection interruption takes place, the IP address which is being monitored will change and session expired message will be displayed. Please try to login from other computer from which other candidate(s) has logged in successfully, if possible.

Q. No. 27: I have difficulty in Creating Password, what may be the problem(s)?

Ans: Creation of password should be as per password policy. Please follow the password policy. Please use the internet browser as suggested in user manual, as it is difficult to login from some of the other browsers. While creating password avoid using Caps Lock key, instead of Caps Lock use shift key.

Q No. 28: When I try to login for choice filling/submission, it says wrong roll number Or password, what may be the problem(s)?

Ans: This can happen if Roll Number typed is incorrect or password typed is incorrect. Password is case sensitive, therefore use password which was created by user exactly same as typed while creating. In case password is forgotten, try to generate new password by using security question and its answer.

Q. No. 29: Can I modify my choices during the choice submission period for counseling?

Ans: Yes, you can modify, add or delete your choices during this period, before you lock your choices. However, the registration (of New Users) is permitted up to the specified date and time specified in counselling Schedule, only.

Please note that you have to lock your choice by **date and time specified in Counseling Schedule**. If, not then the choices will be automatically locked by the server as per the schedule.

Q. No. 30: I have not locked my choices before the time specified in counseling schedule on last date of choice locking, what will happen to my choices?

Ans: The choices submitted and saved by you will be locked by the system at the time of last date/date of choice locking as mentioned in Counseling Schedule, automatically. Once locked, the choices cannot be altered/modified/changed.

Q. No. 31: How can I get print out of my choices which system has locked?

Ans: After the specified time of last date/date of choice locking (or after choice locking) print out can be taken from MCC website after login by the Candidate, link is available on the page as “Print Lock Choice”.

Q. No. 32: If I get an up-graded seat during second round of AIQ/ Deemed/Central University/DNB from Round-1, can I join that college directly?

Ans: The candidate will get automatically RELIEVED from the earlier institute/college (of ROUND-1), before he/ she can join the next college/institution.

Q. No. 33: At the time of admission will my original certificates be retained by the allotted college/institution?

Ans: Yes, if the candidate goes for physical reporting, the original certificates of admitted students will be retained in order to prevent blocking of seats and multiple admissions by one candidate

Q. No. 34: Will there be any further round after completion of Round two of All India Quota Counseling?

Ans: Yes. As per the modified scheme of AIQ in SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, it has been directed by the Hon’ble Court for conduction of 04 rounds of counselling. Hence, 3rd round i.e. Round-3 round and fourth round i.e. stray vacancy round (AIQ/Central Institutes/University/DNB) will be conducted in AIQ by MCC.

Q.No. 35: What is the procedure for Round-3 Counseling which will be conducted by DGHS?

Ans: The net vacant seats due to Non-Allotted, Non-Joining, Non-Reporting of Round-2 will be published in the seat matrix and eligible candidates have to submit fresh choices and the result will be processed as per Choice & Merit for Round-3.

Q.No.36: Who will be eligible for Round-3?

Ans: The Following categories of candidates are eligible for Round-3

- a) Candidates who are registering for the first time.
- b) Candidates who have registered but not been allotted a seat in Round-1 & Round 2. Candidates who exit with forfeiture in round 2 can participate in round-3 but with fresh payment of fees.

Q.No.37: Who will not be eligible for third Round of Counseling?

Ans: Candidates who have joined seat in Round-1 or Round-2 and State Quota seat (as per the data shared by the States) and not willing to upgrade will not be eligible.

Q. No. 38: What is the schedule for Counseling and Admission to PG Courses?

Ans: As per the schedule uploaded on the Website (www.mcc.nic.in).

Q. No. 39: What is the permissibility to students to exercise fresh choice during counseling?

Ans: Fresh choice filling can be done in every round of counseling.

****** The policy related to choice filling option, forfeiture etc will be in tune with the modified scheme of AIQ in SLA(C) No. 10487 of 2021 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India wherein it has been directed to conduct 04 rounds of AIQ counselling. *Gazette No.MCI-18(1)/2018-Med./100818 dated 5th April,2018.*

******As decided/approved by competent authority (MoHFW) in 2026 Scheme of counseling.

Q. No. 40: Whether counseling will be conducted for 50% State Quota seats of Central Universities/ Central Institutes also, and for which universities?

Ans: Yes, counseling for 50% State quota seats as per the University eligibility conditions will be conducted by MCC of DGHS, MoHFW for DU, AMU, BHU, VMMC & SJH, ABVIMS & RML Hospital and Institutional Preference will be given to the candidates in 50% Institutional Quota. It is to be noted that Rules & Regulations of Central Universities will apply. MCC of DGHS is only responsible for allotment of seats.

Q.No. 41: Is it required to confirm domicile status before filling up choices?

Ans: Candidates are advised to confirm their institutional eligibility before registering on MCC website for 50% Institutional Quota seats of Central Universities/Institutes before opting for their seats.

Q.No.42: Whether Up-gradation is allowed from 2nd round counseling of Deemed/ Central Universities/DNB to third round counseling of DGHS for Central/Deemed Universities/DNB?

Ans: Yes, Up-gradation is allowed. (refer to process of counselling)

Q. No. 43: Whether the Security Deposit which was submitted at the time of Registration will be refunded back in case the candidate is not allotted any seat during the rounds of online counseling conducted by MCC?

Ans: Yes, in case the candidate is not allotted any seat the Security Deposit will be refunded back to the same account of the candidate from which payment had been made.

Q. No. 44: Whether there will be two separate counseling for All India Quota and 50% Institutional Quota on separate days and separate platform

Ans: There is common counseling software for AIQ and Institutional Quota. Hence, the candidates of 50% Institutional Quota who are eligible for counseling should opt for the choices in order of preference between AIQ, 50% Institutional Quota. The computer will allot the seat in order of merit and choice from the choices filled by the candidate.

Q. No. 45: Who is Eligible for Stray Vacancy Round?

Ans: All registered candidates who were not allotted any seat in any of the previous rounds are eligible. The candidates who were allotted a seat in Round-3 of counselling but did not join will get eliminated from further rounds of counselling.

Q. No. 46: Who are eligible for “Exit with Forfeiture” option?

Ans: Candidate who has been allotted a seat in Round-2, Round-3 and Stray Vacancy Round but does not report at the college may Exit with Forfeiture. (i.e. The Security Deposit will not be refunded in such a case).

Please refer to Gazette Notification No. MCI-18(1)/2018-Med./100818 of Medical Council of India dated 5th April, 2018.

Q No.47: Whether NRI category candidates are eligible for Self-Financed Merit seats of Deemed Universities as well?

Ans: Yes, the NRI category candidates are eligible for self-financed merit seats as well. The seats will be allotted to candidates in order of merit, preference or choices filled by the candidate as per merit only.

Q. No. 48: What are the helpline numbers for PG Counselling & Finance related queries?

Ans: The following are numbers for PG Counselling & Finance related queries: 1800 1027637, 0120-4073500.

Q.No.49: How much money will be deducted as Transaction fee/Service fee by the College in case of Up-gradation in t h e next round or after Resignation?

Ans: Candidates are advised to contact college authorities regarding Transaction fee/Service fees or other related fees before joining the college as MCC would not be responsible for any Refund related issues with the college.

Q. No. 50: I have not registered with the MCC during first, second and third round, now I want to register in the Stray Vacancy round during the ongoing counselling schedule, can I do fresh registration?

Ans: Yes, fresh registration can be done during stray vacancy round with payment of fees.

REFUND RELATED INFORMATION

Important questions regarding Refund Issues:

Note: Neither the Financial Custodian nor Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) shall be responsible for the delay in refunding security deposit due to candidate initiating chargeback claim and/or closing the bank/card account before the completion of Counselling.

Q.No.51: When and where this Security Deposit will be refunded?

Ans: Security amount will be refunded only after the completion of **all** rounds of Counseling. MCC will notify about the completion of counselling on their portal "www.mcc.nic.in". The Financial Custodian will initiate the refund of security deposit within 15 days of such notification and complete within 30 days of such notification.

- a. The security amount will be refunded to the same account from where the security amount was initially deposited by the candidate. E.g. If the security amount was deposited through Card#1234XXXXXXXX5678, then the refund will go to Card#1234XXXXXXXX5678 only.
- b. If the security amount was deposited from account # 123456789012 of State Bank of India IFSC Code SBIN0003567 then the refund will go to account#123456789012 of State Bank of India IFSC Code SBIN0003567 only.
- c. **Hence, the candidate must keep their card/bank account ACTIVE till refund process is completed. If card/bank account is closed before the completion of refund, the bankers will not be able to complete their refund process. The bankers will take long time to identify & return the failed refunds to Financial Custodian and lot of legal formalities are to be complied for initiating refund to different bank account. Hence their fund to new bank account will take very long time. Neither Financial Custodian nor MCC will be responsible for such delay.**
- d. Kindly refer to bulletin chapters for fees details and terms & conditions of refunds.

Q.NO.52: If the security deposit is remitted through unrelated card/bank account can the candidate request for refund to different card/bank account?

Ans: NO. MCC will not entertain such requests. The security deposit will be refunded only to the account from where the security deposit was initially deposited. **The candidates are advised to not use unrelated card/bank accounts for remitting security deposit.**

Q.NO.53: What happens if the candidate, by mistake, makes more than onepayment for the same Roll#?

Ans: Candidate can approach the Financial Custodian after 10 days of closing of Registration Window. The Financial custodian will refund the excess payment, if any, within 30days of closing of Registration Window. The financial custodian will deduct 50% of the Regn Fees or Rs.500/ whichever is less from each excess receipt refund towards Admin. expenses

Q.NO.54: Do I have to request the Financial Custodian to refund the security amount? What Is the schedule for refund of security amount?

Ans: NO. Candidate need not approach the Financial Custodian for refund of security amount. The Medical Counselling Committee will publish the list of candidates who are eligible for the refund of security amount on their portal "www.mcc.nic.in" once all rounds of counseling are completed. The Financial Custodian will initiate the refund of security amount within 15 working days and complete the refund of security deposit within 30 days of publishing the eligible list on the MCC Portal. Once the Financial Custodian completes the refund, MCC will publish the refund details along with refund date & transaction # on their portal "www.mcc.nic.in" within 30 days of publishing the eligible list on the MCC portal. The refund will be credited, depending upon the level of digitalization of candidate's bank, to the candidates account between 2 to 15 days from the date of refund by Financial Custodian.

Q.NO.55: Can candidate initiate refund proceedings through chargeback claim through the card Issuing bank?

Ans: NO. Candidates who have been allotted Roll # should not initiate charge back claim through the card issuing bank. If the charge back claim is initiated, the Financial Custodian / MCC will be restrained by the Payment Gateway Service Providers from initiating direct refund. The candidate has to approach only their card issuing banks for refunds if the chargeback claim is raised. For initiating manual refund by Financial Custodian, the candidate should withdraw the charge back claim and produce a no objection certificate from card issuing bank stating that the charge back claim is withdrawn & card issuing banker do not have any objection in Financial Custodian refunding the deposit. As this process takes lot of time, the refund will be inordinately delayed. **Neither Financial Custodian nor MCC will be responsible for such delay. Hence candidates are advised to not to initiate charge back claim.**

Q.NO.56: Who is the Financial Custodian?

Ans: HLL Lifecare Ltd, a Govt. of India Undertaking under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is the Financial Custodian. They will, on behalf of MCC, collect non-refundable Registration Fees and refundable security deposit from the candidates and refund the security deposit to the eligible candidates.

Q.No.57: How to contact the Financial Custodian?

Ans: For Refund Related Issues: "financemcc@lifecarehll.com"

1. **For all other issues:** "callcentremcc@lifecarehll.com" or 18001027637.
2. The Financial custodian will respond only to the mails through mail id registered with MCC.
3. **Direct queries to MCC will not be entertained.**
4. For refund related issues, Candidate can approach Financial Custodian only after 10 days of closing Counselling Window or 15 days of publication of "Refund Details" in MCC Portal.

Q.No.58: Will Medical Counselling Committee bear the bank charges incurred by the candidate while registering for counseling?

Ans: NO. Bank Charges if any, incurred by the candidate should be borne by the candidate only. However, it is advised that the candidate should prefer to use the method wherein the bank transaction charges are minimal; like net banking.

Q.No. 59: Can candidate remit the Registration Fee and Security Deposit from NRI Account?

Ans: NO. MCC cannot, as per Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Rules, refund security deposit to NRI Account. If the candidate wants to use the funds available in his/ her NRI Account for registering for counseling, he/ she has to first transfer funds from NRI Account to NRO Account and from NRO Account to MCC. The refund from MCC will be credited to NRO Account only.

Q.No.60: Will MCC pay interest on the refundable security deposit?

Ans: NO. MCC will not pay interest on the refundable security deposit.

HELP DESK

The Information Bulletin and the information uploaded on the MCC website from time to time will lead you through the whole process of registering for Counselling process.

For any further communication you may contact MCC: -

MCC CALL CENTRE:

Phone No.: 0120-4073500

TOLL FREE NUMBER: 1800 102 7637

Please contact the above numbers for Queries related to Counseling.

Please note that all queries will be answered during Call Centre timings only i.e. 9:00 AM to 8:30 PM. The Call Centre will be closed on Sundays.

MCC:

E-mail: adgme@nic.in (Only for administrative queries and Legal matters)

E-mail: callcentremcc@lifecarehll.com (Only for Counselling related queries)

E-mail: financemcc@lifecarehll.com (Only for Queries regarding Finance/Accounts / Refund related matters of counselling NEET PG)

Note: All the emails must be sent to the respective email IDs for respective queries / grievances only and any email sent to any other email ID other than the concerned email IDs would not be considered in any case. Also, mails will be answered during office hours only i.e. 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday to Friday and Saturday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Sundays and Gazetted Holidays will be a holiday.

While sending the queries the Candidates must specify the following details:

- i. Name
- ii. Application Number
- iii. Roll Number
- iv. Rank
- v. Contact Number
- vi. Email ID

Emails sent without the afore-stated information may not be entertained.

The Candidates are informed that the queries whose answer is available in the Information Bulletin will not be answered.

ANNEXURE-1

The List of Primary Medical Assessment Boards who will issue Eligibility Certificates as per NMC norms to PwD candidates in support of their claim to avail 5% PwD is as follows:

S/No.	Name of Medical Assessment Board	City/State	Specialities Available for which Eligibility Certificate can be issued as per category of Disabilities mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
1.	All India Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AIIPMR)	Mumbai	For Locomotor Disability only
2.	Goa Medical College	Goa	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except Speech Disability.
3.	Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate. Ophthalmology Tests to be conducted at Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Thiruvananthapuram under GMC Thiruvananthapuram
4.	SMS Medical College	Jaipur, Rajasthan	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except: Neurology- Genetic Testing ENT- Speech & Language Disability Testing Orthopaedics/PMR- GoniometerAdult. Plumb Line, Hand Dynamometer, Laser
5.	Govt. Medical College and Hospital, Sector32	Chandigarh	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
6.	Govt. Medical College, Agartala, State Disability Board	Agartala/Tripura	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
7.	Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities, Bandra, Mumbai	Mumbai, Maharashtra	For Hearing Disabilities only
8.	AIIMS, Nagpur	Nagpur, Maharashtra	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
9.	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical Sciences & RML Hospital, New Delhi. (ABVIMS & RMLH)	New Delhi	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate except ENT For Visual Disability: Candidates who use LVAs may bring their own LVAs which can be checked.
10.	Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals (LHMC)	New Delhi	All Disabilities as mentioned in Eligibility Certificate
11.	All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru	Mysuru, Karnataka	For Speech & Hearing Disabilities only

12	Uttar Pradesh University of Medical Sciences, Saifai, Etawah-206130	Uttar Pradesh
13	King George Medical University, Lucknow, U.P.	Uttar Pradesh
14	Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad	Gujarat
15	New Civil Hospital, Surat	Gujarat
16	PDU Hospital, Rajkot	Gujarat
17	Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	Assam
18	Gauhati Medical College, Guwahati	Assam
19	Silchar Medical College, Silchar	Assam
20	Madurai Medical College & Govt. Rajaji Hospital, Madurai	Tamil Nadu
21	Coimbatore Medical College Hospital	Tamil Nadu
22	Thanjavur Medical College, Thanjavur	Tamil Nadu
23	Zoram Medical College & Hospital Falkawn, Mizoram	Mizoram
24	Dr Sushila Tiwari Memorial Government Hospital (under Government Medical College, Haldwani)	Uttarakhand
25	Indira Gandhi Medical College & Hospital, Shimla-171001	Himachal Pradesh
26	Dr. Rajendra Prasad Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Kangra at Tanda.	Himachal Pradesh
27	Government Doon Medical College, Dehradun, Dehradun-248001	Uttarakhand
28	Pt. BD Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak	Haryana
29	AIIMS Bilaspur	Himachal Pradesh
30	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh

31	Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College, Raipur Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh
32	Chhattisgarh Institute of Medical Sciences, Bilaspur	Chhattisgarh
33	Late Shri Baliram Kashyap Memorial Medical College, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh
34	Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute (BMCRI), Bengaluru – State Capital Centre	Karnataka
35	Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMCRI), Mysuru – Regional Centre (South Zone)	Karnataka
36	Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS), Hubballi – Regional Centre (Central Zone)	Karnataka
37	Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences (BIMS), Belagavi – Regional Centre (West Zone)	Karnataka
38	Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS), Kalaburagi – Regional Centre (North-East Zone)	Karnataka
39	Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) Ranchi	Jharkhand
40	Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Medical College, Jamshedpur	Jharkhand
41	SSG Hospital, Vadodara	Gujarat
42	G.G.Hospital, Jamnagar	Gujarat
43	Sir.T. Hospital, Bhavnagar	Gujarat
44	PMCH, Patna	Bihar
45	NMCH, Patna	Bihar
46	IGIMS, Patna	Bihar
47	DMCH, Darbhanga	Bihar
48	JLNMCH, Bhagalpur	Bihar
49	ANMMCH, Gaya JI	Bihar

50	SKMCH, Muzaffarpur	Bihar
51	GMC, Bettiah	Bihar
52	BMIMS, Pawapuri, Nalanda	Bihar
53	JKTMC&H, Madhepura	Bihar
54	Andhra Medical College/King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh
55	Guntur Medical College/Govt. General Hospital, Guntur	Andhra Pradesh
56	Kurnool Medical College/Govt General Hospital, Kurnool	Andhra Pradesh
57	RIMS, Imphal	Manipur
58	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhubaneswar	Bhubaneswar, Odisha
59	Andaman & Nicobar Islands Institute of Medical Sciences	Andaman And Nicobar
60	AIIMS Bibinagar	Telangana
61	AIIMS Jammu	Jammu
62	JIPMER Pondicherry	Pondicherry
63	AIIMS Bhopal	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
64	NAMO Medical Education & Research Institute	Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
65	NEIGRIHMS	Shillong, Meghalaya
66	NRS Medical College and Hospital	Kolkata, West Bengal

Annexure-2

राष्ट्रीय आयुर्विज्ञान आयोग

**National Medical Commission (Under
Graduate Medical Education Board)**

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Phone: 011 25367033/25367035/25367036, E-mail: ug@nmc.org.in

**U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB
21.07.2026**

Dated:

**Subject: GUIDELINES ON ASSESSMENT OF PERSONS WITH
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COURSE, 2026**

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1. The Guidelines shall come into force on the date of their publication by the National Medical Commission.

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Deputy Secretary
UGMEB, National Medical Commission

**NATIONAL MEDICAL COMMISSION (UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
BOARD) U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB**

NOTIFICATION

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1. Short Title and Commencement

1.1 These Guidelines may be called the "Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026".

1.2 They shall come into force on the date of their publication by the National Medical Commission.

2. Objectives

2.1 The National Medical Commission recognises that Persons with Benchmark Disabilities constitute an integral part of society and are entitled to equality, dignity, non-discrimination and reasonable accommodation in all spheres of life, including medical education, in accordance with the Constitution of India and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

2.2 Simultaneously, the National Medical Commission is entrusted with the statutory responsibility of maintaining high standards of undergraduate medical education and ensuring that every medical graduate acquires the essential competencies necessary for the safe, ethical and effective practice of modern medicine in accordance with the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum.

2.3 Medical education demands the acquisition of knowledge, professional skills, clinical competencies, communication abilities and ethical values. The assessment of candidates with benchmark disabilities must therefore balance the rights guaranteed under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 with the statutory obligation to maintain academic standards, professional competence and patient safety.

2.4 These Guidelines introduce a competency-based and function-oriented assessment framework, whereby the determination of eligibility shall not rest solely upon the numerical percentage or category of disability reflected in the UDID Card or other disability certification. While the benchmark disability prescribed under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 shall continue to determine eligibility for reservation under the PwBD category, admission to the MBBS Course shall be based upon an objective evaluation of the candidate's functional competencies, with due regard to reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, environmental accessibility and contemporary advances in rehabilitation science.

2.5 For the purposes of these Guidelines, the certificate presently issued by the designated Medical Boards for admission to the MBBS Course, though commonly referred to as a "**Eligibility Certificate**",⁰ shall be known as the "**Eligibility Certificate**", as it is intended to certify the candidate's eligibility or otherwise for admission to the MBBS Course based on functional assessment rather than merely certifying the existence or extent of disability.

2.6 In order to facilitate greater accessibility, transparency and uniformity in the assessment process, the network of designated assessment centres has been expanded from **sixteen (16) to thirty-three (33)** Medical Boards across the country. For the purposes of these Guidelines, all such designated Boards shall be collectively referred to as the "**Medical Assessment Boards**", which shall undertake the functional assessment of candidates in accordance with these Guidelines.

2.7 These Guidelines accordingly establish a transparent, uniform, evidence-based and competency-oriented framework for the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities seeking admission to the MBBS Course throughout the country, with the objective of ensuring equal opportunity while preserving academic standards, professional competence and patient safety.

3. Definitions

In these Guidelines, unless the context otherwise requires—

3.1 "Act" means the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 (30 of 2019).

3.2 "Ability Assessment Board" or "Medical Assessment Board" means an Assessment Board designated or constituted by the Medical Counselling Committee for assessing the functional competency and eligibility of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for admission to the MBBS Course under these Guidelines.

3.3 "PwBD Candidate" means a person seeking admission to the MBBS Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category through the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Undergraduate) [NEET (UG)].

3.4 "CBME" means the Competency Based Medical Education curriculum prescribed by the National Medical Commission from time to time.

3.5 "Competency" means the knowledge, skills, attitudes, values and professional

behaviours prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education curriculum required to successfully complete the MBBS Course.

3.6 "Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)" means the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

3.7 "Eligibility Certificate" means the certificate issued by the Ability Assessment Board/ Medical Assessment Board designated by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) under the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, certifying the eligibility or otherwise of a Person with Benchmark Disability for admission to the MBBS Course in accordance with these Guidelines.

3.8 "Essential Competencies" means the minimum competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education curriculum that every medical graduate is required to acquire for the safe and effective practice of medicine.

3.9 "Functional Competency" means the demonstrated ability of a candidate, with or without reasonable accommodation or assistive technology, to acquire and perform the essential competencies required under the Competency Based Medical Education curriculum.

3.10 "Graduate Medical Education Regulations" or "GMER" means the Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time.

3.11 "Guidelines" means these Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026.

3.12 "Medical College" means a medical institution recognised under the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 for conducting the MBBS Course.

3.13 "Medical Counselling Committee (MCC)" means the Medical Counselling Committee constituted by the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

3.14 "National Medical Commission" or "NMC" means the National Medical Commission established under Section 3 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019.

3.15 "NEET (UG)" means the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Undergraduate) conducted for admission to undergraduate medical education in accordance with the applicable law.

3.16 "Notification of 12th March, 2024" means the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, published in the Gazette of India on 14th March, 2024.

3.17 "Person with Benchmark Disability" or "PwBD" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under Section 2(r) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.18 "Reasonable Accommodation" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under Section 2(y) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.19 "Rules" means the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules, 2017, as amended from time to time.

3.20 "Specified Disability" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under the Schedule to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

3.21 "State Counselling Authority" means the authority designated by the respective State Government or Union Territory Administration to conduct counselling for admission to the MBBS Course.

3.22 "Self-certified Affidavit" means the affidavit furnished by a candidate in the format prescribed in Schedule-I declaring the candidate's functional abilities and other particulars required under these Guidelines.

3.23 "Speaking Order" means a written order containing the reasons, findings and conclusions of the Medical Assessment Board in support of its decision.

3.24 "Reasoned Decision" means a decision supported by objective findings, functional assessment and reasons recorded in writing.

3.25 "UDID Card" means the Unique Disability Identity Card issued through the Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Portal by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

*CHAPTER I***PRELIMINARY****4. Scope and Application****4.1. These Guidelines shall apply to—**

- (a) every candidate seeking admission to the MBBS Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category;
- (b) every Medical College recognised under the National Medical Commission Act, 2019;
- (c) the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC);
- (d) all State Counselling Authorities;
- (e) all Medical Assessment Boards constituted for assessment of PwBD candidates; and
- (f) every authority or institution involved in the assessment, counselling, admission or certification of candidates under the PwBD category.

5. Objectives

5.1. The National Medical Commission recognises that Persons with Benchmark Disabilities constitute an integral part of society and are entitled to equality, dignity, non-discrimination and reasonable accommodation in all spheres of life, including medical education, in accordance with the Constitution of India and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

5.2. Simultaneously, the National Medical Commission is entrusted with the statutory responsibility of maintaining high standards of undergraduate

medical education and ensuring that every medical graduate acquires the essential competencies necessary for the safe, ethical and effective practice of modern medicine in accordance with the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum.

5.3. Medical education demands the acquisition of knowledge, professional skills, clinical competencies, communication abilities and ethical values. The assessment of candidates with benchmark disabilities must therefore balance the rights guaranteed under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 with the statutory obligation to maintain academic standards, professional competence and patient safety.

5.4. Disability shall not, by itself, constitute a ground for exclusion from medical education. Eligibility shall be determined through an objective assessment of the candidate's functional competencies, taking into consideration reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, environmental accessibility and contemporary advances in rehabilitation science.

5.5. These Guidelines seek to establish a transparent, uniform, evidence-based and competency-oriented framework for the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities seeking admission to the MBBS Course throughout the country.

6. Statutory Framework

6.1. These Guidelines shall be read in conjunction with—

- (a) the National Medical Commission Act, 2019;
- (b) the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016;
- (c) the Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time;
- (d) the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;
- (e) all applicable Regulations, Guidelines, Notifications and Circulars issued by the National Medical Commission from time to time; and
- (f) all binding judgments, directions and orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and other competent Courts governing admission of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities to the MBBS Course.

7. Purpose

7.1 The purpose of these Guidelines is to—

- (a) establish a uniform national framework for assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities seeking admission to the MBBS Course;
- (b) ensure transparency, consistency and objectivity in disability assessment;
- (c) facilitate implementation of the Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2023;
- (d) ensure compliance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016;
- (e) promote equality, inclusion and reasonable accommodation while preserving patient safety and academic standards.

8. Equality and Non-discrimination

- a. The minimum degree of disability should be 40% (Benchmark Disability) in order to be eligible for availing reservation for persons with specified disability. Every PwBD candidate possessing a specified disability shall be entitled to equal treatment throughout the admission process.
- b. No authority shall discriminate against any PwBD candidate solely by reason of disability.
- c. Disability shall never be treated as a disqualification unless such disability demonstrably prevents the acquisition of essential competencies despite reasonable accommodation.
- d. Disability shall be understood in accordance with the rights recognized under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.
- e. Assessment shall recognize that disability arises from the interaction between an individual's impairment and environmental, institutional, social and attitudinal barriers.
- f. Efforts should be made to the extent to which reasonable accommodation, assistive technology and accessible educational practices, that can enable the candidate to successfully pursue medical education.

CHAPTER II

ELIGIBILITY, DOCUMENTATION AND DISABILITY ASSESSMENT

9. Eligibility and Documentation

9.1 A candidate seeking admission to the MBBS Course under the Persons

with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category shall possess a benchmark disability of not less than forty per cent (40%), in accordance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the rules made thereunder.

9.2 Every such candidate shall possess a valid Permanent Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card issued through the UDID Portal by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India. The UDID Card shall serve as the primary documentary evidence of the existence, nature and extent of the specified disability for the purposes of these Guidelines.

9.3 While the particulars recorded in the Permanent UDID Card, including the category, percentage and validity of the specified disability, shall ordinarily form the basis of consideration by the Medical Assessment Board, the Board shall independently determine the candidate's functional competency in accordance with these Guidelines. The determination of eligibility shall not be based solely upon the category or percentage of disability recorded in the UDID Card.

9.4 Where the Medical Assessment Board considers it necessary for determining the functional competency of the candidate or the feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, it may require the candidate to undergo such further clinical examination, functional evaluation or verification as it considers appropriate.

9.5 Every candidate shall submit a self-certified affidavit declaring his or her functional abilities in the format specified in **Schedule-I**, which shall be verified by the Medical Assessment Board during the course of assessment.

9.6 A candidate shall not be denied consideration under the PwBD category solely on account of a procedural defect or discrepancy in the Permanent UDID Card, provided that such defect is capable of rectification and the specified disability is otherwise established in accordance with law.

9.7 Every admission to the MBBS Course under the PwBD category shall be regulated by these Guidelines, and every Medical College, Counselling Authority and Medical Assessment Board shall ensure strict compliance with the provisions contained herein.

10. Medical Assessment Board/Ability Assessment Board

10.1 Every Medical Assessment Board shall discharge its functions fairly, objectively, transparently and in accordance with the principles of natural

justice, equity and the rule of law.

10.2 Every candidate appearing before the Medical Assessment Board shall be treated with dignity, respect and fairness throughout the assessment process.

10.3 The Medical Assessment Board shall ensure that no candidate is subjected to physical, environmental, communication or attitudinal barriers during the assessment process.

10.4 The Medical Assessment Board shall undertake the assessment of candidates in accordance with—

- (a) the assessment methodology prescribed under the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;
- (b) these Guidelines; and
- (c) any other applicable statutory provisions governing the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

11. Matters to be Verified and Evaluated

11.1 While assessing the eligibility of a candidate under these Guidelines, the Medical Assessment Board shall verify and evaluate, inter alia—

- (a) the Permanent Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card issued by the competent authority under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment;
- (b) the nature, extent and stability of the specified disability and the underlying medical condition;
- (c) the candidate's functional abilities in relation to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum;
- (d) the suitability and effectiveness of any assistive device, assistive technology or adaptive aid used by the candidate;
- (e) the feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation to facilitate acquisition of the prescribed competencies;
- (f) the impact, if any, of the disability upon patient safety; and
- (g) such other clinical, functional or educational factors as may be relevant for determining the candidate's eligibility under these Guidelines.

11.2 Principles Governing Determination of Eligibility

The determination of eligibility by the Medical Assessment Board shall be guided by the following principles—

(a) Functional Competency

The primary consideration shall be whether the candidate possesses, or can reasonably acquire with appropriate support and reasonable accommodation, the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum.

(b) Individualized Assessment

Every assessment shall be individualized, objective and evidence-based. No candidate shall be declared eligible or ineligible solely on account of the category or percentage of disability.

(c) Scientific Assessment

Assessment shall be based upon objective medical findings, scientific evidence, functional evaluation, contemporary rehabilitation principles and evidence-based medical practice. The Medical Assessment Board shall avoid reliance upon outdated medical opinions, stereotypes or unsupported assumptions relating to disability. Where advances in rehabilitation medicine, assistive technology or adaptive devices substantially improve the functional abilities of the candidate, due consideration shall be given to such advancements while determining eligibility.

(d) Reasonable Accommodation

Prior to declaring a candidate ineligible, the Medical Assessment Board shall examine whether reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, adaptive devices or appropriate infrastructural support would enable the candidate to successfully pursue and complete the MBBS Course without compromising the acquisition of the prescribed competencies.

Provision of reasonable accommodation shall not be construed as dilution of academic standards but shall constitute a measure to ensure substantive equality of opportunity for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

Reasonable accommodation may include, inter alia—

- (i) assistive devices;
- (ii) adaptive equipment;
- (iii) digital accessibility;
- (iv) accessible teaching and learning material;
- (v) communication support;

- (vi) ergonomic modifications;
- (vii) examination accommodations consistent with academic standards; and
- (viii) accessible clinical learning environments.

(e) Patient Safety

Patient safety shall remain an important consideration while determining eligibility. However, any conclusion relating to patient safety shall be based upon objective clinical and functional evidence and shall not rest upon generalized assumptions, stereotypes or preconceived notions regarding disability.

Chapter-III

Procedure for issuance of Certificate to the PwBD Candidate and Review Mechanism

12. Procedure for issuance of Certificate to the PwBD Candidate

12.1 Upon completion of the functional assessment, the Medical Assessment Board shall determine whether the candidate is Eligible; Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation, or Ineligible for admission to the MBBS Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) category in accordance with these Guidelines.

12.2 The determination of eligibility shall be based on—

- (a) the candidate's demonstrated functional competency in relation to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum;
- (b) the feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, assistive technology or other support measures, wherever appropriate;
- (c) the ability of the candidate to successfully complete the MBBS Course and acquire the prescribed competencies; and
- (d) considerations relating to patient safety, supported by objective medical and functional evidence.

12.3 No candidate shall be declared ineligible solely on the basis of—

- (a) the diagnosis or category of disability;
- (b) the percentage of benchmark disability recorded in the UDID Card or Eligibility Certificate; or

(c) generalized assumptions or stereotypes associated with any disability.

12.4 A candidate shall be declared ineligible only where the Medical Assessment Board, after due consideration of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology, records, by a reasoned and speaking order, that the candidate is unable to acquire the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) curriculum or that the disability would pose a demonstrable and unacceptable risk to patient safety which cannot be mitigated through reasonable accommodation.

12.5 Every determination of the Medical Assessment Board shall be recorded in writing and shall clearly specify—

- (a) the nature and extent of the disability;
- (b) the findings of the functional competency assessment;
- (c) the reasonable accommodation, if any, considered or recommended;
- (d) the reasons supporting the determination of eligibility or ineligibility;
- and
- (e) the final recommendation of the Board.

12.6 The Medical Assessment Board shall issue an **Eligibility Certificate**, in the format specified in **Schedule-II**, certifying whether the candidate is—

- (i) Eligible;
- (ii) Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation, specifying the accommodation(s) recommended; or
- (iii) Ineligible, together with the reasons recorded in accordance with clause 12.4.

13. Review Mechanism

13.1 Any candidate aggrieved by the findings or decision of the Medical Assessment Board may seek a review before any other Medical Assessment Board /Ability Assessment Board designated by the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC), within such time and in such manner as may be notified by the Medical Counselling Committee from time to time.

13.2 The designated Medical Assessment Board /Ability Assessment Board shall independently assess the candidate in accordance with these Guidelines and may examine the candidate afresh, review the relevant records, or undertake such further clinical examination or functional assessment as it considers necessary.

13.3 The designated Medical Assessment Board /Ability Assessment Board shall record its findings by a reasoned and speaking order, clearly indicating the basis for affirming, modifying or setting aside the findings of the earlier Medical Assessment Board /Ability Assessment Board.

13.4 The decision of the designated Medical Assessment Board /Ability Assessment Board shall be final for the purposes of counselling and admission under these Guidelines, subject to any order or direction of a court of competent jurisdiction.

CHAPTER VI

MISCELLANEOUS

14. Institutional Responsibilities

14.1 Every Medical College, Medical Counselling Committee, State Counselling Authority and Medical Assessment Board shall ensure that the provisions of these Guidelines are implemented in letter and spirit.

14.2 Every institution shall take appropriate measures to ensure that no PwBD candidate is denied admission or subjected to discrimination solely on the ground of disability, except in accordance with these Guidelines and the applicable statutory provisions.

14.3 Every institution shall endeavour to provide reasonable accommodation, barrier-free access and accessible learning environments in accordance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the applicable standards notified by the Government of India.

14.4 Medical Colleges are encouraged to undertake periodic sensitization and capacity-building programmes for faculty members, administrative staff and students to promote an inclusive academic environment and eliminate physical, communication and attitudinal barriers.

14.5 Every Medical College shall designate a Nodal Officer or establish an appropriate institutional mechanism to facilitate implementation of these Guidelines and to address issues concerning PwBD candidates. These measures reflect the institutional responsibilities emphasized under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the interim framework previously adopted by the Commission.

15. Grievance Redressal Mechanism

15.1 Every Medical College and Counselling Authority shall maintain an

effective, accessible and time-bound grievance redressal mechanism for addressing complaints relating to disability assessment, denial of reasonable accommodation or any act of discrimination against PwBD candidates.

15.2 Every grievance shall be dealt with fairly, expeditiously and in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

16. Compliance

16.1 Every admission to the MBBS Course under the Persons with Benchmark Disabilities category shall be governed by these Guidelines.

16.2 Every authority concerned with the admission process shall strictly comply with these Guidelines.

16.3 No Medical Assessment Board shall declare a candidate ineligible without recording reasons in writing based upon functional assessment, scientific evidence and the principles contained in these Guidelines.

16.4 Every recommendation of the Medical Assessment Board shall be made by a reasoned and speaking order.

17. Power to Issue Clarifications

The National Medical Commission may issue such clarifications, advisories, standard operating procedures or procedural instructions, consistent with these Guidelines and the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, as may be necessary for their effective and uniform implementation.

18. Interpretation

If any question arises regarding the interpretation or implementation of these Guidelines, the matter shall be referred to the National Medical Commission whose decision thereon shall be final, subject to the provisions of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and any judgment or direction of a competent Court.

19. Repeal and Saving Clause

19.1 These Guidelines shall supersede all previous guidelines, advisories and instructions issued by the National Medical Commission or the erstwhile Medical Council of India relating to the assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for admission to the MBBS Course, to the extent they are inconsistent with these Guidelines.

19.2 Notwithstanding such supersession, any action taken, assessment

conducted or decision made under the earlier guidelines shall be deemed to have been validly taken or made insofar as it is not inconsistent with these Guidelines.

20. Overriding Principle

While implementing these Guidelines, every authority shall ensure that the assessment of a candidate is based upon functional competency, objective medical evidence and the possibility of reasonable accommodation. No candidate shall be denied consideration or declared ineligible solely on the basis of diagnosis, disability category or generalized assumptions regarding disability. The paramount considerations shall be equality of opportunity, maintenance of academic standards and patient safety, to be harmoniously applied in accordance with the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 and the Regulations and Guidelines framed thereunder and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

SCHEDULE-I

APPENDIX- A SELF CERTIFICATION FORM- GENERAL

APPENDIX- B AFFIDAVIT FOR DECLARING THE HEARING
IMPAIRMENT

APPENDIX -C AFFIDAVIT FOR DECLARING THE LOCOMOTOR
DISABILITY (UPPER LIMB EXTREMITY)

A P P E N D I X - D AFFIDAVIT FOR DECLARING THE LOCOMOTOR
DIABILITY (LOWER LIMB EXTREMITY)

APPENDIX-E AFFIDAVIT FOR DECLARATION BY A PERSON WITH
MENTAL ILLNESS/ SLD/ ASD

APPENDIX-F AFFIDAVIT FOR DECLARATION BY A PERSON WITH
VISUAL DISABILITY

APPENDIX-A

Self-Certification Affidavit
(To be filled by all applicants applying under PwBD Category)

Name of Candidate: _____

NEET Roll No.: _____

NEET Score: _____

UDID No.: _____

Disability Type:

o

& Locomotor

& Hearing

& Visual

& Cognitive/SLD/

& *Others

_____ (Please
specify)

Disability Percentage as per [UDID card]: _____ %

Assistive Devices Used (If any): _____

Essential Functional Competencies:

Competency Area	Description	Candidate Declaration (✓ / X)
A. Communication	I can communicate clearly and empathetically with people using assistive devices.	
B. Hearing	I can hear and respond to speech in both quiet and noisy environments, with or without hearing aids or	

	cochlear implants. • I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Form Appendix -B	
C.Dominant Hand Functionality	• I can write and hold instruments using my dominant or aided hand. • I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Appendix –C and D	
D.Understanding/Communication	• I can follow and comprehend medical terminology and maintain social interaction. • I undertake to fulfill the eligibility set under Form Appendix -E	
E. Vision	• My vision improves to the percentage lower than 40% • I can perform with the help of Low vision Aid • I undertake to fulfill the eligibility criteria set under Form Appendix -F	

1. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the MBBS course.
2. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature:_____

Date:

Place:

Notarized by:

***Note: Persons with benchmark disabilities other than Locomotor/Visual/Hearing/SLD/ASD/Mental Illness will have to submit the self-certified affidavit at Appendix-A only (eg.: Blood disorders - Haemophilia, Thalassemia and Sickle cell disease Chronic Neurological Conditions etc.)**

APPENDIX-B

AFFIDAVIT**(HEARING IMPAIRMENT)**

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

I have hearing loss in:

- ☐ Right Ear
☐ Left Ear
☐ Both Ears
☐ Neither

1. I use:

- ☐ Prescribed Hearing Aid
☐ Cochlear Implant
☐ None

2. I declare as under:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / X)
1.	Communicate effectively using the above-mentioned assistive devices.	
2.	Engage in a conversation in a quiet and noisy environment.	
3.	Understand and respond to verbal instructions.	
4.	Carry out phone conversations.	

3. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the MBBS course.

4. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by:

APPENDIX-C

AFFIDAVIT

(LOCOMOTOR DISABILITY)
{UPPER EXTREMITY- COORDINATED ACTIVITY}

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.
3. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as _____
4. I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.
5. I declare my functional ability in performing the basic Coordinated Activities as below:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / X)
1.	Can you lift overhead objects and place them at the same place?	
2.	Can you touch tip of the nose with the tip of a finger?	
3.	Can you eat by yourself?	
4.	Can you groom, comb and plate by yourself?	
5.	Can you put on a shirt/kurta/upper garment on your own?	
6.	Can you clean yourself after toileting (Act of Ablution)?	
7.	Can you Drink water holding a Glass/tumbler?	
8.	Can you button/unbutton your clothes?	
9.	Can you put on trousers/pant/lower garment/Tie Nara, Dhoti, using the Zip as the case may be?	
10.	Can you hold a Pen/Pencil and write?	

6. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the MBBS course.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by:

APPENDIX-D

AFFIDAVIT
(LOCOMOTOR DISABILITY)
{LOWER EXTREMITY- STABILITY COMPONENTS}

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.

3 The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as

4 I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.

5 I declare my ability to perform the following functions as below:

Sl. No.	Functional Ability regarding following Activities declared	Candidate Declaration (✓ / X)
1.	Can you bear weight and stand on both legs?	
2.	Can you bear weight and stand on your affected leg?	
3.	Can you walk on plain surfaces?	
4.	Can you sit on a chair by yourself?	
5.	Can you take turn to the right and left side?	

6 I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the MBBS course.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by:

(*Revised vide Corrigendum Notice of UGMEB, NMC No. U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB Dated 31.07.2026)

APPENDIX-E

AFFIDAVIT**(MENTAL ILLNESS/SPEECH DISORDERS/SPECIFIC LEARNING DISORDER/AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER)**

I, _____, aged _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

2. I declare that I am suffering from _____ Disability.
3. The condition causing this disability is diagnosed as
4. I am using/not using any assistive device/artificial limb etc.
5. I declare my ability to perform the following functions as below:

SL. NO.	Description	Candidate Declaration (✓/ X)
1.	I can communicate clearly and empathetically with people	
2.	I can listen and respond to speech in both quiet and noisy environments.	
3.	I can follow instructions, comprehend required medical terminology, and maintain social interaction	
4.	I can understand and respond to verbal instructions and can carry out phone conversations.	

6. I hereby affirm that I possess the essential competencies and am capable of successfully undertaking the MBBS course.

7. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Place: _____

Notarized by: _____

APPENDIX-F

AFFIDAVIT**(VISUAL IMPAIRMENT)**

I, _____ aged, _____ years, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____, holding a valid UDID Card No. _____ issued by _____ on _____, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

1. I have Visual Impairment in:

- & Left Eye
- & Right Eye
- & Both Eye
- & Neither

2. I am using Low Vision Aid(s) _____.

3. With the use of Low Vision Aid, I declare the fulfillment of following criteria:

SL. NO.	ALL MANDATORY CRITERIAS FULFILLED WITH THE LOW VISION AID	Candidate Declaration (✓ / X)
1.	Best corrected visual acuity improves such that the visual disability becomes less than 40%	
2.	The field of vision is > 40 degree in the eye which is using the LVA	
3.	The LVA is hands free and suitable for everyday use	

4. I hereby affirm that I can perform with the use of Low Vision Aid.

5. I am aware that any false declaration may result in revocation of my admission.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date:

Place:

Notarized by:

SCHEDULE – II

[See Clause 12.6]**ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE**

Issued by the Medical Assessment Board

1. Candidate Particulars

1. Name of Candidate: _____
2. Father's/Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____
3. Date of Birth: ____/____/____
4. Gender: _____
5. NEET Roll Number: _____
6. Application/Registration Number: _____
7. UDID Number _____
8. Disability Certificate Number and Date: _____

2. Medical Assessment Board

1. Name of Medical Assessment Board: _____
2. Institution/Hospital: _____
3. Date(s) of Assessment: ____/____/____
4. Place of Assessment: _____

3. Nature of Disability

1. Category of Disability: _____
2. Medical Diagnosis: _____
3. Nature and Extent of Disability: _____
4. Percentage of Benchmark Disability (where applicable): _____%

Note: The determination of eligibility has not been made solely on the basis of the diagnosis, category of disability, or percentage of benchmark disability.

4. Functional Competency Assessment

The Medical Assessment Board has assessed the candidate with reference to the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) Curriculum.

The Board records the following findings:

5. Assessment of Reasonable Accommodation

The Medical Assessment Board has considered the requirement and feasibility of providing reasonable accommodation, assistive technology, or other support measures.

Accommodation(s) considered:

Accommodation(s) recommended (if any):

If no accommodation is recommended, reasons:

6. Assessment of Ability to Complete the MBBS Course

The Medical Assessment Board is satisfied that the candidate:

☐ Is capable of successfully completing the MBBS Course and acquiring the essential competencies prescribed under the CBME Curriculum.

☐ Is capable of successfully completing the MBBS Course subject to the reasonable accommodation(s) specified above.

☐ Is not capable of acquiring the essential competencies prescribed under the CBME Curriculum despite consideration of reasonable accommodation.

Reasons:

7. Patient Safety Assessment

The Medical Assessment Board has evaluated whether the disability poses any demonstrable risk to patient safety.

Findings:

Where any risk has been identified, the Board records whether such risk can be mitigated through reasonable accommodation:

8. Final Determination

After considering—

(a) the candidate's demonstrated functional competency;

(b) the feasibility of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology;

(c) the ability to successfully complete the MBBS Course and acquire the prescribed competencies; and

(d) considerations relating to patient safety,

the Medical Assessment Board hereby certifies that the candidate is:

☐ Eligible

☐ **Eligible with Reasonable Accommodation**

Recommended Accommodation(s):

☐ Ineligible

Reasons (to be recorded in accordance with Clause 12.4):

9. Declaration of the Medical Assessment Board

The Medical Assessment Board certifies that this determination has been made after conducting an individualized assessment based on objective medical and functional evidence, taking into account the essential competencies prescribed under the Competency Based Medical Education (CBME) Curriculum, the feasibility of reasonable accommodation and assistive technology, and considerations relating to patient safety. The determination has not been based solely on the diagnosis, category of disability, or percentage of benchmark disability.

10. Signatures

Name of Member Designation Signature

Chairperson Member Member Member

Member

Date: ____/____/____

Place: _____

(Official Seal of the Medical Assessment Board)

Standard Operating Procedure for appeal by NEET PwBD Candidates Appearing Before the Appellate Disability Assessment Board

The following process shall be followed for the appraisal and disposal of appeals submitted by NEET PwBD candidates:

Step 1: Submission of Appeal

The candidate declared ineligible by the Primary Disability Assessment Medical Board may submit the appeal on the email IDs given in the portal (disabilityappeal-chair@gov.in and disabilityappeal-convenor@gov.in) along with the choice of Appellate Disability Assessment Board, **before the commencement of their respective round of NEET counselling**. The appeal received will be further shared with the chosen Appellate Board for its perusal and further necessary action. Following five are the authorized Appellate Disability Assessment Boards:

- VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi
- Grant Government Medical College & Sir JJ Group of Hospitals, Mumbai
- Banaras Hindu University, Banaras
- Madras Medical College, Chennai
- Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (IPGMER), Kolkata

Step 2: Scheduling of Assessment

Based on the candidate's availability, the date, time, venue and necessary instructions shall be communicated to the candidate by nodal officer of the concerned Appellate Board.

Step 3: Reporting and Verification

On the scheduled date, the candidate shall report to **concerned** appellate board for assessment. All relevant medical and disability-related documents shall be examined by the board during the course of examination.

Step 4: Appellate Disability Assessment

The Appellate Disability Assessment Board shall conduct the disability assessment in accordance with the prevailing “**Guidelines for assessing the extent of specified disabilities**” 2024 by DEPwD. Wherever required, the board may co-opt members for assessment.

Step 5: Final Decision of the Appellate Board

Upon completion of the assessment and review of all relevant records, the Appellate Disability Assessment Board shall record its final decision regarding the candidate's disability status with a speaking order, percentage of disability and eligibility under the PwBD category for NEET counselling. The decision of the Appellate Disability Assessment Board will stand final.

Step 6: Uploading and Communication of Decision

The final decision of the Appellate Board shall be communicated to Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) |India, with a copy to **Dte.GHS**.

Step 7: Completion of Process

Upon communication of the decision, the appellate process shall be deemed complete, and the candidate shall proceed with the **NEET counselling process** in accordance with the final decision of the Appellate Disability Assessment Board.

Annexure-I

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 Government of India
 Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
 Directorate General of Health Services

Subject: Constitution of Appellate Body for Disability Assessment Board

In compliance with directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India record of proceeding in respect of M.A. No. 378/2025 in CA No. 14333/2024, an **Appellate Body** is constituted for disability assessment. The venue for the Assessment Board shall be Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi.

1.	Dr. Geetha Anandan, Additional Director General of Health Services, Directorate General of Health Services	geetha.anandan@cghs.nic.in 9869058444	Chairman
2.	Dr. Ajay Gupta, HoD, PMR-Safdarjung Hospital/ Representative / or Dr. Rita Majumdar, HoD, PMR-LHMC/ Representative,	drajavgupta@vmmc-sjh.nic.in drajavgupta@vmmc-sjh.nic.in 9810692375 ritu.majumdar35@lhmc-hosp.gov.in 9958389090	Member
3.	Dr. Jatin Talwar, Director Professor, CIO- Safdarjung Hospital	Jatin.talwar@gov.in 9811666788	Member
4.	Dr. Vivek Suman, Professor, Department of Medicine, Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi	vyksmd@gmail.com +91 9911117589	Member
5.	Dr. Arunbha Chakravarty, HoD, ENT Director Professor- LHMC / or Dr. Gautam Bir Singh, HoD, ENT Director Professor – Dr.RML Hospital	drachakravarti@yahoo.co.in 9868093035 gb.singh@lhmc-hosp.gov.in gbsnit@yahoo.co.in 9818836242	Member
6.	Dr. Piyush Ramavat, HoD, Eye-LHMC/ or Dr. Manav Deep Singh, Eye, Principal Consultant- Dr.RML Hospital	hi_piyush2001@yahoo.co.in 9971550103 singh_md@yahoo.com 9810133491	Member
7.	Dr. Shiv Prasad, HoD, Psychiatry-LHMC/ or Dr. Pankaj Verma, HoD, Psychiatry- Safdarjung Hospital	shiv.prasad38@gov.in 9810488067 hod.psych@vmmc-sjh.nic.in pverma.md1@gmail.com 9313534345, 8826627272	Member
8.	Dr. Rupali Roy, Assistant Director General of Health Services, Directorate General of Health Services	dr.rupali@nic.in 9999333760	Convener

**The board includes 01 Doctor with Disability as Member

(Dr. Loveneesh G. Krishna)
 DGHS/MCC Convener

Room No.12072, B-Wing, Kartavya Bhavan-1, New Delhi-110001
 Tel. No. 011-24013901, 24013902, Email: dghs@nic.in

List of Designated Appellate Boards

The candidate declared ineligible by the Primary Disability Medical Board may submit the appeal on the email IDs given below along with the choice of appellate Disability Assessment Board, before the commencement of their respective round of NEET counselling.

Email ID:

1. disabilityappeal-chair@gov.in
2. disabilityappeal-convener@gov.in

Hospital Name	Nodal Officer	Phone Number	Venue
VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital	Dr. Piyush K Thayal	9899981466	VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, Ansari Nagar East, near to AIIMS Metro Station, New Delhi, Delhi 110029
IPGMER	Dr Vasundhara Ghoshal	9874351897	IPGMER and SSKM Hospital, 244, Acharya Jagadish Chandra (AJC) Bose Road, Bhowanipore, Kolkata, West Bengal, PIN 700020.
Grant Govt. Medical College	Dr Gajanand Chavan	8355912891	GGMC, J.J. Marg, Nagpada, Mumbai Central, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400008, India
Madras Medical College	Dr. R. Sudhakar	9380745533	MMC, No. 1, E.V.R. Periyar Salai (Poonamallee High Road), Park Town, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, 600003
Banaras Hindu University	Dr. Nilesh Kumar	9889655100	Banaras Hindu University Lanka, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India

The appellate body after re-assessment will forward the report of the student to MCC with a copy to DGHS for necessary action.

PROFORMA FOR SCHEDULED CASTE AND SCHEDULED TRIBE CERTIFICATE

Form of certificate as prescribed in M.H.A., O.M., No. 42/21/49-N.G.S. dated the 28.1.1952, as revised in Dept. of Per- & A.R. letter No. 36012/6/76-Est. (S.CT), dated the 29.10.1977, to be produced by candidate belonging to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe in support of his/her claim.

CASTE CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum.* _____ son/daughter* of
 _____ of village/town* _____ in
 district/Division* _____ of the State/Union Territory* _____

belongs to the _____ Caste/ Tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* under:

- The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order, 1950
 - The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) Order, 1950
 - The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) (Union Territories) Order, 1951
 - The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) (Union Territories) Order, 1951
1. (as amended by the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Lists (Modification) order, 1956, the Bombay Re- organization Act, 1960, the Punjab Re- organization Act, 1966, the State of Himachal Pradesh Act, 1970 the North Eastern Areas (Re- organization) Act, 1971 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders, (Amendment) Act, 1976).
- The Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Caste Order, 1956.
 - The Constitution (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1959.
 - The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Caste Order, 1962.
 - The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1962.
 - The Constitution (Puducherry) Scheduled Caste Order, 1964
 - The Constitution (Uttar Pradesh) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1967.
 - The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Caste Order, 1968.
 - The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Tribes, Order, 1968.
 - The Constitution (Nagaland) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1970.
 - The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Caste Order, 1978.
 - The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1978.
2. Applicable in the case of Scheduled Caste/Schedule Tribe persons who have migrated from one State/Union Territory Administration:

This certificate is issued on the basis of the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* certificate issued to Shri/Smt*

father/mother of

Shri/Smt/Kum* - ____ of village/town* ____ in District/Division* _____ of the State/Union Territory* _____

who belongs to the _____ caste/tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* in the State/Union

Territory* _____ issued by the _____ (name of prescribed authority) vide their No. _____ date _____

3. Shri*/Smt.*/Kum* _____ and/or his/her* family ordinary reside (s) in village/town* _____ of the State/Union Territory of ____.

Signature _____

Place _____ State/Union Territory

** Designation _____

ANNEXURE : 4**PROFORMA FOR OTHER BACKWARD CLASS (OBC-NCL) CERTIFICATE**

(Certificate to be produced by Other Backward Class applying for admission to Central Educational Institute (CEIS) under the Government of India)

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum./Dr. _____ Son/Daughter of Shri/Dr. _____ of Village/Town District/Division in the _____ State

belongs to the _____ Community which is recognized as a backward class under:

- (i) Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10/09/93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 186 dated 13/09/93.
- (ii) Resolution No. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19/10/94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 163 dated 20/10/94.
- (iii) Resolution No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated 24/05/95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 88 dated 25/05/95.
- (iv) Resolution No. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 09/03/96.
- (v) Resolution No. 12011/44/96-BCC dated 06/12/96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 120 dated 11/12/96.
- (vi) Resolution No. 12011/13/97-BCC dated 03/12/97.
- (vii) Resolution No. 12011/99/94-BCC dated 11/12/97.
- (viii) Resolution No. 12011/68/98-BCC dated 27/10/99.
- (ix) Resolution No. 12011/88/98-BCC dated 06/12/99 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 270 dated 06/12/99.
- (x) Resolution No. 12011/36/99-BCC dated 04/04/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 71 dated 04/04/2004.
- (xi) Resolution No. 12011/44/99-BCC dated 21/09/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 210 dated 21/09/2000.
- (xii) Resolution No. 12015/09/2000-BCC dated 06/09/2001.
- (xiii) Resolution No. 12011/01/2001-BCC dated 19/06/2003.
- (xiv) Resolution No. 12011/04/2002-BCC dated 13/01/2004.
- (xv) Resolution No. 12011/09/2004-BCC dated 16/01/2006 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 210 dated 16/01/2006.
- (xvi) Resolution No. 20012/129/2009/-BC-II dated 04/03/2014 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I section I no. 63 dated 04/03/2014.

Shri/Smt./Kum. and/or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District/Division of _____ State.

This is also to certify that he/she does not belong to the persons/section (creamy layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Scheduled to the Government of India. Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt. (Res.) dated 09.03.2004 or the latest notification of the Government of India.

Dated:

District Magistrate/Competent Authority Seal

NOTE:

- (a) **The Term Ordinarily used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.**
- (b) **The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:**
 - (i) **District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Taluka Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate.)**
 - (ii) **Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency magistrate.**
 - (iii) **Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.**
 - (iv) **Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides.**
- (c) **The annual income/status of the parents of the applicant should be based on financial year ending March 31, 2026.**

ANNEXURE : 5**Proforma for EWS Certificate**

Government of
(Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate)

INCOME & ASSEST CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

VALID FOR THE YEAR _____

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ son/daughter/wife of _____ permanent resident of _____, Village/Street _____ Post. Office _____ District _____ in the State/Union Territory _____ Pin Code _____ whose photograph is attested below belongs to Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual income* of his/her 'family'*** is below Rs. 8 lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial year _____. His/her family does not own or possess any of the following assets*** :

- I. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
 - II. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
 - III. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
 - IV. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.
2. Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ belongs to the _____ caste which is not recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List)

Signature with seal of Office _____
Name _____
Designation _____

Recent Passport size
attested photograph of
the applicant

*Note1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

**Note 2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

***Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.

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